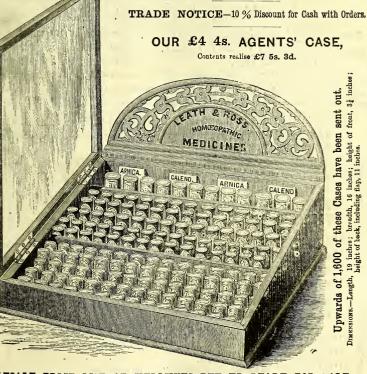
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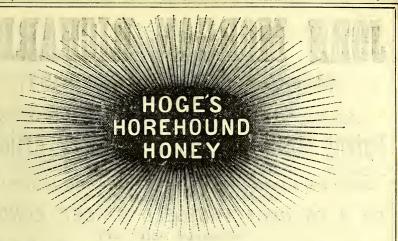
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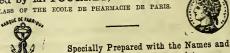
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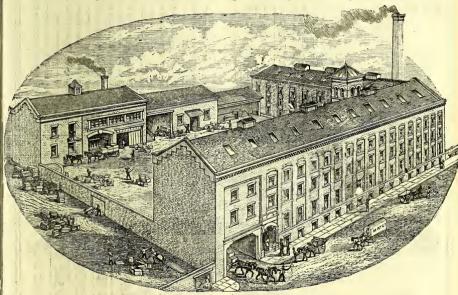
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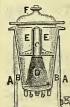
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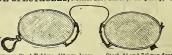
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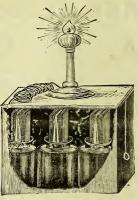
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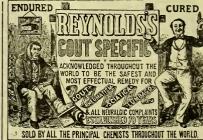
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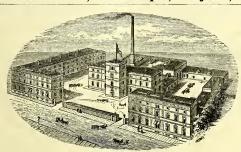
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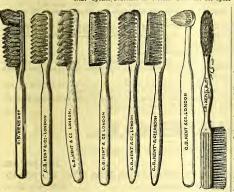
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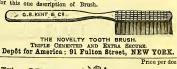


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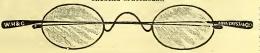
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VICE-CHANCELLOR SIR W. PAGE WOOD, by whom the suit in Chancery was first heard, stated in his judgment that 'Dr. J. Collis Browne was undoubtedly the Inventor of Chlorodyne, that the whole story of the Defendant Freeman was as deliberately untrue as the falsehood he had deposed to with reference to the use of his Chlorodyne in the Hospital.'

The VICE-CHANCELLOR also stated, 'that Chlorodyne was a fanciful name, and had application been made sooner, the Court would have given Dr. Browne protection.'

LORD CHANCELLOR SELBORNE coincided with the judgment of the Vice-Chancellor upon this point, and stated 'that

had application been made at a proper time and place, the Court would have found means to restrain the Defendant from misrepresenting the decision of the Vice-Chancellor.' LORD JUSTICE JAMES, on appeal, stated in his judgment, 'that the Defendant Freeman had made a deliberate misrepre-

sentation of the decision of Vice-Chancellor Wood,'

It was proved in Court, on affidavit by Mrs. Forbes, of Paris, that the testimonial published in the Times, November 14th, 1865, speaking of the great efficacy of Chlorodyne in Chlera, referred to Dr. J. Collis Browne's Chlorodyne, and that she never used any other, that she had written to the Defendant Freeman to that effect; notwithstanding which notice the Defendant publishes the said testimonial as referring to his medicine.

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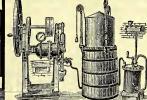
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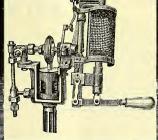
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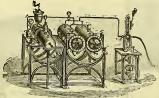
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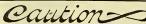
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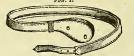
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CORNER FOR STUDENTS.

OUR report of the last competition will appear next month. For the next exercise in qualitative analysis we offer to send samples of a metallic alloy. The alloy is to be submitted to a complete systematic examination, designed to detect all its constituents and to demonstrate the absence of other substances. A list of the metals detected is to be given, distinguishing those that are present in quantity from other constituents.

Applications will be received up to May 20, and portions of the alloy will be sent to applicants on the 25th.

Students' reports will be received up to June 15.

In reply to questions often received from intending competitors, we may say that we fix no standard of age or qualification for those who wish to enter for these analyses. That has proved to settle itself. Neither do we establish any rules as to the length or style of the reports. Students will presumably describe their discoveries in the clearest manner of which they are capable. We do stipulate, however, that the dates we fix be observed, we cannot supply duplicate samples, and we cannot enter into private correspondence respecting the analyses,

The pharmaceutical and trade meetings next week will be as follows:--On Tuesday morning, May 22, the general committee of the Chemists and Druggists' Trade Association will meet at the Inns of Court Hotel, Holborn, at 11 A.M.; and the meeting of the Association itself will be held at 12 for 12.30 P.M. of the same day, in the banqueting room of the same hotel: all chemists are invited to this meeting. On Tuesday evening, May 22, at 6 30 P.M., the annual dinner of the members and friends of the Pharmaceutical Society will be held at Willis's Rooms, Mr. Carteighe, president of the society, in the chair. We understand that the Lord Mayor and the sheriffs of London have accepted invitations to this dinner, and we believe an unusually large company is expected. Gentlemen wishing for tickets should apply for them to Mr. R. Bremridge, 17 Bloomsbury Square, not later than Saturday next. The next day, Wednesday, May 23, at 11 A.M. for 12 noon, the annual meeting of members of the Pharmaceutical Society will be held at 17 Bloomsbury Square. On the evening of the same day (Wednesday, May 23), at 8 P.M., a conversatione of the Pharmaceutical Society will be held at the South Kensington Museum: a card of admission to this may be obtained from the secretary by any chemist and druggist on the register.

As we report on another page the remarks made by some members of the Pharmaceutical Council in reference to the acceptance by the professors of that society of the task of editing a new Pharmacopœia, it is fair to the latter to state that a letter over their signatures is published in the last number of the Pharmaceutical Journal, in which they maintain that those remarks are not justified by the facts of the case. They point out that one of their number (Dr. Redwood) has occupied the position of editor of the Pharmacopæia for the last eighteen years, and that during that time nothing has ever been said to indicate that he had done wrong in accepting or retaining the office; that on this occasion he desired to be relieved of a part of the duties, and preferred as associate editors his colleagues in Bloomsbury Square; that the appointments made by the sub-committee of the Medical Council were only provisional, and that they were not at liberty to make the fact public, partly on that account, and partly because it was understood that the Medical Council would communicate the arrangements made to the Pharmaceutical Council when they invited their co-operation.

INLAND PARCELS POST.

THE Postmaster-General has published a notice that, on August 1 next, he will be prepared to accept at any postoffice in the United Kingdom parcels intended for transmission by the inland-parcels post, under the following general conditions, viz.:—Weights and postage.—For an inland postal parcel, not exceeding 1 lb., the rate of postage (to be prepaid in ordinary postage stamps) will be 3d.; exceeding 1 lb. and not exceeding 3 lbs., 6d.; exceeding 3 lbs, and not exceeding 5 lbs., 9d.; exceeding 5 lbs. and not exceeding 7 lbs., 1s. Dimensions.—The dimensions allowed for an inland postal parcel will be-maximum length, 3 feet 6 inches; maximum length and girth com-bined, 6 feet. Examples.—A parcel measuring 3 feet 6 inches in its longest dimension may measure as much as 2 feet 6 inches in girth-i.e., around its thickest part; or a shorter parcel may be thicker-e.g., if measuring no more than 3 feet in length it may measure as much as 3 feet in girth-i.e., around its thickest part.

The regulations under which certain articles are prohibited from transmission by the letter post will-with a few exceptions-apply equally to the parcels post. For instance, gunpowder, lucifer matches, anything liable to sudden combustion, bladders containing liquid, and live animals will be excluded from the parcels post. But glass bottles, fish, game, meat, and all other articles not above mentioned, now excluded from the letter post, will be admitted to go by parcels post conditionally upon their being packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mails and to the officers of the Post-office. Full particulars will be published in a subse-

quent notice.

Pharmacalia.

MICROSCOPIC WORK.

A PRESIDENTIAL address, delivered by Professor P. Martin Duncan at the annual meeting of the Royal Microscopical Society, is worthy of special mention. So many pharmacists are interested in this class of investigation that they will read with advantage the valuable explanations on how to work with the microscope and the best forms of apparatus to be used. It is evident that a large amount of intelligence and knowledge is required in its management, which is the result of labour, thought, and experience. But a man who has invested a certain number of gnineas imagines that he is correspondingly endowed with the abilities of a microscopist in the true sense of the term. Some, on the other hand, rest content with inferior apparatus, and think that they see the truth invariably. Great benefit accrues from being the member of a society where those who constantly use the microscope in original research offer communications on imperfections and corrections which their own personal manipulation has suggested. By all means indifferent instruments should be rejected and attention should be paid to improved practices which are constantly being described. Frequently an observer fails to see what some previous experimenter has remarked, and this is clearly more the fault of the instrument than of the operator.

The Professor then, who is no mere mechanical teacher. points out some causes of unsuccessful work, Transmitted light is used in a manner exactly opposite to the laws of illumination when the eye is unaided. Observers get all the light possible from a reflecting surface. There is an exact relation between the possibility of seeing the half and lower tints, and o f searching the depths of shadows, and the intensity of the light entering the eye. Only outlines are well shown as sky lines, or when a brilliant light is passed around and through the body examined. Yet a pleasant evening with the microscope often means a painful time for the eye. A good glare of light seems essential to the beginner; while the advanced microscopist never uses more [light than he absolutely requires, and increases and diminishes the illumination during the careful observation [of an object, not only by employing a less intense source of light, but also by using diaphragms of different sizes. Into the various latent causes of error and the way in which they may be overcome it is not desirable to enter here, but we would strongly commend the reading of the address to those whom it may concern. Yet we cannot omit the remarks upon the elecric light, and its relation to this mode of investigation. No one can ever have been present at a soirée where microscopes formed the chief object of display without having experienced a most uncomfortable sensation of heat. This arises from the fact that there are exhibited as many illuminating lamps as there are microscopes. This combined glare is peculiarly distressing; nor is it a less infliction to examine microscopic specimens with such powerful illuminators. The coolness, as well as the brilliance of the electric light, make it specially serviceable; and, in addition, the possibility of directing it readily in investigating opaque objects by means of high powers with reflectors within objectives; and in moving around opaque objects which are well in focus under low powers, and whose surfaces are difficult to define under ordinary circumstances in a short time and with the usual appliances. That the dangerous and offensive rock-oils may thus be abolished is a consideration of no secondary value.

A new future is predicted for the microscope in the study of disease. It may happen, says Professor Duncan, that now

the microscope has shown the minute bodies which accompany disease, and may produce it, it may lead to the discovery of the remedies.

Competition in this line of research is endless, and new methods are constantly invented. They are great additions to science, and may be the beginning of a new era in the profession.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, 1882.

We have received by favour of the Secretary, Professor John M. Maisch, the Proceedings of the American Pharmaceutical Association, together with the Minutes of the thirtieth annual meeting, held at Niagara Falls, under the Presidency of Professor P. W. Bedford.

Of the handsome volume in which last year's transactions have been chronicled, we have but few remarks to offer, leaving to others more detailed criticism; but it would be an injustice not to acknowledge or draw attention to the remarkable Report on the Progress of Pharmacy contributed by Professor C. Lewis Diehl. We are not acquainted with any equal or similar production, the task being executed in a manner which excludes it altogether from the term of a compilation. More than four hundred pages are consecrated to the work which, in admirable abstract, the value of which is enhanced by a copious index, presents a survey of what has been done in pharmacy during a period of twelve months.

The author intimates a design of still further improving on his method in a future year, an attempt which, in our opinion, he has rendered impossible.

We have now to turn to another document which proved a shade too much for the Association, and has had a like influence on ourselves. A Study of Percolation conveys the least information in the largest quantity of words. We have read through Voltaire's "Henriade," being, as far as we know, the only living person who has accomplished that feat-but we were not well, and wanted to learn French. We have also waded through these twenty-five pages on Percolation, and, without vanity, they have not added to our previous knowledge. The author seems for ever to arrive at some well-worn platitude, to which no one will take exception, and to propound it with all the solemnity of an oracle. With no wish to be either hypercritical or sarcastic, we may be allowed to ask, What is the new point defined? What variety of process is indicated with which men like Parrish, Procter, and others have not made us familiar, or which pharmaeists endowed with ordinary common sense are not in the habit of employing as necessity may arise? Good Henry Deane, a British pharmacist, has said much the same things in comparatively half-a-dozen words; and the author need not state in windy generalities that different substances necessitate different modes of operation. Here is a sentence to read before a scientific meeting :- " Around the walls of a fort that does not easily surrender the army of progress is fighting. Pharmacy has been called to the assault repeatedly, and not in vain. Constantly gaining ground, she has yet many a trench to dig and many a height to climb ere she ean reach the citadel and add to her lists of conquests the proud name of Percolation." Sic ad lib. We are now bidden to "prepare for the assault," and find that the prime object of percolation is solution, and just before, that this is the only object, which is not true. Percolation is intended to extract the solution of certain substances in a manner more rapid and convenient than that obtained by other processes, but equally as effective.

No one will question sentiments like the following —" One of the tests of merit in the condition of powder must be the

ability to retard the menstruum just enough in its passage to fully exert its influence upon the contents of the cells before allowing the fluid to pass" (printed in italics). Again-" Within certain limits there are means by which the fluids can be retarded without resorting to the use of a very fine powder." The thought becoming now too deep for common type, italics are once more in requisition. "If we can compress the coarser particles together enough we can have spaces between particles smaller than with more comminuted powders not so tightly pressed (p. 531). This is much what we should have ventured to suppose without overtasking the reflective powers. Similar elaboration of truisms leads us wearily through many subsequent pages; and should our estimate be considered overdrawn we would ask the reader to consult the printed paper for himself. But as the longest lane is stated to have a turning, we come to a passage which affords relief-"We are" (says the author) "drawing to a close." Twelve condensed rules are given by way of summary, most of which must have suggested themselves to an assistant of ordinary intelligence. Percolation should be effected with the minimum quantity of solvent; in cell percolation the fineness of powder must be adjusted to the menstruum; the percolating vessel should be selected according to the advantages it possesses in assisting in general or special cases the process of percolation. Quite so. This is not the way to write Pharmacy; nor is it in accordance with the traditions of the excellent work we are accustomed to receive with great pleasure, and even greater profit, from the United States.

PROFESSOR BENTLEY AT THE ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS.

On Saturday morning, May 5, at the customary hour of eight o'clock, Professor Bentley resumed his practical demonstrations of botany at Regent's Park. The lecture as usual took place at the rustic Museum close by the main entrance, and was delivered before an audience of more than fifty students. Several ladies occupied the front row, and the room was nearly filled. It was pleasant to observe that old pharmaceutical names were represented by the successors of men whom we all hold in honour, and whose sons bid fair to emulate their father's fame. The traditions of Leeds, Birmingham, and Norwich seem likely to be continued.

The Professor, wisely we think, varied the text of his introductory discourse by giving a few historical details relating to the past. It was always grateful, he observed, to be able to say, "Ladies and gentlemen," for surely they might well be associated in the pursuit of knowledge. It was a good thing to have faith in one's teacher, and he held that he was correct in having said beforehand that the weather would be appropriate to the occasion. The day was certainly of a hazy character; the mist was on the garden, and clouds were in the sky. This was but typical of their present knowledge-from it, as from the atmosphere, the haze would soon disappear, and the intellectual, like the natural, sun would welcome them ere long. In 1842, more than forty years ago, he attended the first course of botanical lectures by Anthony Todd Thomson. It was to him a peculiar pleasure to remember that the first prize ever awarded by the Society was awarded to Robert Bentley, and this circumstance had a guiding effect upon his whole after-life. In 1849 he became Professor, and had so remained till now. The pleasure and privilege of teaching had been permitted to him for so long a time, and during that period he had never had one serious complaint against a member of his class. He could say that advisedly, for as chairman of the Garden Committee any delinquency must have been reported, and brought before his notice.

He would caution them against misplaced enthusiasm; the gardens were not the spot for athletic sports, valuable as these were in their right place. There, they must strive manfully and solely for information. During a course of lecturing which had now reached to thirty-four years many distinguished students had passed through his hands. They had made for themselves a reputation in different ways. To three only could he allude that morning. First he would mention Michael Carteighe, who had sat on those benches, and who was now the President of the Pharmaceutical Society. Next he would refer to Henry Bowman Brady, who had attained to excellence in scientific pursuits, and last not least, was one of the Examiners. Lastly he would point to Professor Attfield, who had so largely advanced the interests of pharmacy, and whose career it was unnecessary to describe. What these men had done they could do also, and their persistent studies might be crowned with similar SHCCOSS

Reverting to the more immediate subject of the lecture, Professor Bentley continued that the entire gardens, not only outdoor plants, but the rarer specimens in the conservatories, were thrown open to the students. Such advantages being granted should not be abused. The students were asked in no way to interfere with the work of those employed, particularly as they would meet with every attention and assistance from Mr. Higgins; the flowers were for study, and not for button-holes; and even the lecture-table was not inconsiderately to be despoiled.

The course now proceeding was limited to practical botany—its name showed the one way in which it could be followed with profit. No man, in a certain sense, could teach; he could only direct how to learn. As in chemistry they must work out their theories practically by test and experiment; so in botany they must themselves study and examine flowers. For ten weeks he should have to superintend these personal endeavours, and indicate the best methods of research.

Plants, then, had a number of parts, called organs—such were the root, stem, leaves, parts of flowers, fruit, and seed. All shared in the life of a plant, and performed their respective functions.

Internal structure was termed histology, and with that they had been occupied at the Square. They were now concerned with external forms, and their mutual arrangement, a study which was termed morphology. The root presented no great varieties, though close attention had occasionally to be exercised, as in distinguishing aconite root from that of horseradish; still, the forms of roots were few. Stems, having compact tissues, had no marked peculiarities, and for these ordinary descriptive words were used.

The great organ was the leaf, and it demanded special study. Its structure being both woody and soft, its modes of arrangement differing so widely, its surface offering for exposure so broad an expanse, alike contributed to make its characters and their modifications important. Its shape, form, insertion, and margin occurred in infinite variety, and were typical of all the other organs of plant life. The student might consider the leaf typical of himself; like it he should gather knowledge imperceptibly, and use his assimilated stores for himself and others, and as storage for the future.

The leaf had certain characters. The plan adopted at the present was to distinguish between Foliage leaves, Scales, and Bracts, the latter being floral leaves. Quite a system of nomenclature had to be employed, and terms such as nodes, internodes, axillary (extra, supra, or infra), with others, were in constant use. Other characters depended on persistence, as evergreen and deciduous, or on the mode of

separation from the stem: thus the ash was left quite bare, but the oak retained its brown-coloured, withered leaves. Classification binged upon this fact, for the dicotyledons were generally articulated, when the leaf fell off; monocotyledons and acotyledons were generally non-articulate, as in the palms. The oak formed an exception.

The parts of the leaf were the blade or lamina, the petiole or leaf stalk, and the stipules. Leaves were simple or compound, and three particular characters had to be studied in sequence-Insertion, Arrangement, and Vena-

This brought the lecture to a close, and, sure enough, the sun made an effort to brighten a particularly cheerless morning, and to dispel the damp coldness which was far from exhilarating. Long may it shine upon the Pofessor, and justify his firm conviction that it is its special duty to welcome the students who meet annually under his direction at the Regent's Park!

THE STUDY OF SEAWEEDS.

What shall we say of the Royal Botanic Society, whose Quarterly Record has just come to hand?

The Secretary has been cultivating seaweeds, and has burst into poetry at the same time. He writes :-

"The home of Englishmen being an island, bathed on all sides in the sea, proverbially the domain of the sons of Britain, and over whose foaming billows she is said to rule, it is somewhat remarkable that the flora of this watery kingdom has been so little studied in comparison with that of the dry land,"

He uses a saturated solution of bay-salt in water, with 4 grains of mercuric chloride to 1 quart of water. The specimens, with one or two exceptions, remain exactly as when first placed in the fluid, and exhibit all the beauties of form and structure of the living plant. The experiment being so far successful, it was attempted to cultivate the seaweed artificially. water was first obtained from Lowestoft, and afterwards from Weymouth, and the report is most satisfactory. Large quantity of gas is given off from healthy specimens, but none from the dead individual.

Researches on the

DESTRUCTION OF WEEDS

In gravel walks have been continued. Common salt at first is effective, but in a few months acts as a powerful manure. The action of carbolic acid is still under consideration; but dilute sulphuric acid as yet bears the palm. The aid of the sister art of chemistry was not invoked, and the tinned rose of the watering-pot came speedily to grief. A rose of thin sheet German silver having been substituted, affairs proceeded more hopefully, and the instrument, we are informed, "is still in existence." We would invite visitors from the country, when they have heard Mr. Sandford discourse on politics, and amended clanses, to repair for an hour to these lovely gardens. To them they may appear no special boon, but they will understand how singularly restful and attractive they must be to those pent up continually in our great metropolis.

PLAYING WITH FALSE TEETH .-- A London correspondent says:—At a recent card-party at the house of a popular London dentist, the counters used were false teeth. At first the ladies present seemed very sensitive about touching the little white heaps, but as the evening wore on the more false teeth each fair dame possessed the happier she seemed. When the counters were totalled up at the end of the game, there were only three more than had been originally given out.

The Pharmaceutical Council.

T the meeting of the Council on May 2 twenty members A were present, Mr. Michael Carteighe, President, in the chair. The one member absent was Mr. P. W. Squire.

Certain members, associates, and apprentices were elected. and the following persons had their names restored to the register, they having each made the necessary declarations and paid a fine of one guinea :-

Edwin John Frith, 50 Westminster Bridge Road, London,

Nathan Moore Green, 34 Fox Street, Liverpool.

George Francis Hart, 53 Albert Row, Southwick, Sunder-

The question of investment in ground rents was considered in Committee, and the Conncil also went into Committee to consider the regulation under which members who leave the Society and desire to rejoin it are subject to a fine. This question was referred to the Library, &c., Com-

BENEVOLENCE. .

The Council voted from the Benevolent Fund, on the recommendation of the Committee, three grants of 10%, each and one of 201, the latter snm to assist the widow and daughter of a late associate to emigrate, providing a certain additional sum should be raised by their friends.

The Library, Mnseum, Laboratory, and House Committee submitted the usual reports from the librarian, the curator, and the professors. Various contributions to the library and museum were recorded, including a complete and valuable collection of barks and of herbarinm specimens of the cinchona trees cultivated in Madras from the Secretary of State for India. The new regulations for

THE PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION.

referred to last month, were now submitted in complete form, the object being to arrange for the division of the examination into two periods, one of three hours for Latin and Arithmetic, and, after an interval, one of one and a half hour for English. The subject of

VISITORS TO THE MUSEUM

had been considered, and the Committee advised that paragraph should appear in the Calendar, stating "Persons not connected with the Society who are desirous of obtaining admission to the museum should make application to the Secretary." The intention of this proposal was afterwards made clear by Mr. symes, who thought it would be satisfactory if it were known that any person within reasonable limits might gain information from the library and musenm.

THE BRITISH PHARMACOPŒIA.

The report gave details of the Committee's efforts to get the Lord President of the Privy Council to insert some words in the Medical Acts Amendment Bill, which would give pharmacists a representative position on the Committee appointed for compiling and revising the Pharmacopæia. The President had written to the Lord President explaining that pharmacists were legally appointed on the Pharmacopæia Commissions of all European countries, and were even in a majority in the United States. Their claim was supported by many members of the medical profession, and by articles which had appeared in the medical profession. The request was also urged on the ground that both the Pharmacy Act and the Sale of Food and Drugs Act recognised the Pharmacopæia as declaring the standard of purity. He (the President) asked for a personal interview, which was granted, but the report stated that Lord Carlingford was not disposed to agree to the principle of the proposed alteration of the Medical The Committee recommended that arrangements should be made for a deputation to interview members of the

House of Commons on the subject.

The report came in this form before the Council, whereupon Mr. GREENISH first directed attention to the report which had been published in the medical journals, from which it appeared that Professors Redwood, Bentley, and Attfield had accepted the task of preparing the new edition of the Pharmacopœia from the Medical Council. It was with a feeling of great humiliation that he saw there was to be a new edition of the Pharmacopæia brought out witbout any official reference to the Pharmaceutical Society at all; and it was to his great astonishment that he found the three professors of the Society had been engaged more or less in this work since November 7, six months ago. Those gentlemen held chairs endowed by the Society, and it seemed to him that they were scarcely loyal to the Society, knowing as they did that this subject bad been constantly under discussion, in not giving some official intimation that they were engaged on this work. He hoped that the House of Commons would be flooded with petitions asserting the just claims of pharmacists to direct influence in the preparation of any future edition of the national Pharmacopæia.

To Mr. HAMPSON it was a sad thing to think that their object might be damaged by the Society's own professors. Those gentlemen seemed to be interested in keeping things as they were. If they had had the interest of the Society at heart, they would no doubt have conferred with the Council on the subject, and he was sure the Council would not have desired to stand in the way of their obtaining any emolument which was offered them. He hoped the Council would strengthen the hands of the Committee and urge the necessity of leaving nothing undone, and that all legitimate and constitutional means should be employed to obtain that

recognition.

Mr. Young asked whether it was known to any member of the Council at the last meeting that the professors had been in communication with the Pharmacopæia Committee of the Medical Council, but this question was not answered.

Mr. SYMES having supported the views already expressed, the PRESIDENT narrated his interview with the Lord Pre-The latter had listened to him patiently, and asked him two or three questions, and then said the broad question was whether the Pharmacopoeia as a public docu-ment was a bad book. Of course, his reply was that the Society did not bring a charge against the Pharmacopæia of being a bad book, but that it might at any time become a bad book if it were not properly compiled. As a result the Lord President said he did not feel inclined to move in the question on public grounds, especially as the Bill did not make any change in this respect in the existing law. He did not wish to be weighted with too many amendments, and he did not think a sufficiently strong case had been made out to induce bim to move in the question. He also asked if the editor of the Pharmacopœia was not a pharmaceutical chemist; to which, of course, he replied that though a pharmaceutical chemist he was also a professor of chemistry and pharmacy. The Lord President gave it as his opinion that in some cases the best results were obtained by employing competent men to prepare works for the body having charge of a subject. He gathered from Lord Carlingford that he rather looked upon it as a question to be dealt with between the Society and the Medical Council.

Messrs. Young, Schacht, and Andrews expressed warmly their indignation at the conduct of the professors, but ultimately, after adopting the report and recommendations of the Committee, it was resolved :-

That the Library, Museum, Laboratory, and House Committee be empowered, at its discretion, to draw up and address to the House of Commons, in the name of the Council, a petition in reference to the question of Pharmacopæia revision, and that the seal of the Society be affixed thereto.

The fortbcoming annual report of the Council was considered in Committee, as was also the solicitor's letter, but on the latter it was resolved that two persons should be prosecuted for alleged infringements of the Pharmacy Act.

The reports of Dr. E. Headlam Greenhow, and of Dr. Douglas Maclagan, on the London and Edinburgh examinations respectively, were submitted to the Council.

Pharmacentical Society of Ireland.

THE monthly meeting of the Council of this Society was held on May 2. The chair was taken by Dr. Collins, and afterwards by the President, Dr. Tichborne.

The other members of the Council present were Messrs. Allen, Brunker, Doran, Grindley, Hayes, Hodgson, Lester,

Dr. Montgomery, Simpson, and Wells.

After reading the minutes of the last meeting, Mr. Fennell read a letter from Dr. Kaye, Q.C., Clerk to the Privy Council, stating that that Council bad been advised that the amended resolution of the Society relative to the certificate to be required from candidates for the licence was not sufficiently explicit, and that the Law Officers of the Crown bad drafted the following rule, which was forwarded for consideration and approval:

Retolution .- Every candidate for the licence who has not previous to January 3, 1883, passed the Preliminary examination of this Society, or such examination as is accepted as equivalent thereto, shall be required to produce (a) a certificate, signed by a pharmacentical chemist or apothecary keeping open shop, stating that such candidate has served a bond fide engagement for a term of four years, or for two or more lesser terms amounting in all to four years, as apprentice and assistant, with and in the sole employment of such pharmaceutical chemist, or apothecary, or of a firm of legally-qualified pharmaceutical chemists or apothecaries, of which the aforesaid pharmaceutical chemist or apothecary is a member; or (b) in cases where such candidate has not served a four years' engagement as aforesaid in the employment of one such pharmaceutical chemist or apothecary, or firm as aforesaid, but has served two or more shorter engagements for terms amounting in all to four years as apprentice or assistant, with and in the sole employment for the time being of a succession of different pharmaceutical chemists or apothecaries or firms of legally-qualified pharmaceutical chemists or apothecaries keeping open shop, then like certificates showing that the candidate has served for such shorter terms as aforesaid, each of which certificates is to be signed by the pharmaceutical chemist or apothecary in whose employment the term therein mentioned has been served, or in case of a firm by a pharmaceutical chemist or apothecary being a member of such firm at the time of the signing of such certificate. When, by reason of the death of the pharmaceutical chemist or apothecary with whom any such term as aforesaid has been served, or where from any other cause it shall become impossible or inconvenient for the candidate to procure a certificate signed as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the Society to accept in lieu thereof such evidence as it shall consider satisfactory, showing that the candidate has actually and bond fide served such term or terms as aforesaid.

Mr. BRUNKER: The resolution follows our view of the case, only that it is expressed in legal terms.

PRESIDENT: If it embodies the spirit of our resolution we had better let them have it in their own phraseology.

Dr. MONTGOMERY: I think it would be better to refer it. to the Legal Committee to look over before we adopt it. There is no hurry about the matter. What is the object of having so many words in the resolution?

Mr. BRUNKER: To prevent candidates from wriggling through. The rule as we drafted it was too vague.

PRESIDENT: I think the object is to tighten us down-to prevent our resolution from being used too much against the candidates. The Certificate Committee is the proper one to consider it.

On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, seconded by Mr. ALLEN, the draft resolution was referred to the Certificate Committee, with a request that they would consider and

A letter was received from Mr. Charles L. Peel, Clerk to the Privy Council, acknowledging the receipt of a memorial from the Council of the Society to Lord Carlingford on the

subject of the Medical Bill.

The President brought under the notice of the Council the report of the Pharmacopæia Committee of the General Medical Council, which we publish elsewhere. This report was satisfactory in one sense and unsatisfactory in another. It was satisfactory to know that the editing of the Pharmacopeeia was to be in such excellent hands. Professor Redwood was a thoroughly practical man. Dr. Attfield had been for many years associated with pharmaceutical education, and he would endeavour to make the

Pharmacopeia an educational work. As to Dr. Eentley, from his position in the Pharmaceutical Society of England, he believed that he was an excellent man also. But the unsatisfactory part of the matter was that the work was exclusively in the hards of the officers of the Pharmaceutical Society of England, and that the Irish Society was left out in the cold. Of course they could not help that. It was one of the fatalities of this island. But it was one of those little things that made constitutional people think that there were grounds for the Home Rule cry. At any rate all those things appeared to tend towards a principle of centralisation. They in Ireland had to physic the people according to the directions of their friends on the other side, who had the entire centrol of the matter. Their objection was that they will make the Pharmacopeia according to the London practice, Chey will introduce a lot of things fashionable in London practice, and expunge important articles.

Dr. Montgomery: Are we in a position to make sugges-

tions to them?

PRESIDENT: We will have to wait until we are asked. Dr. MONTGOMERY: But even before we are asked?

PRESIDENT: It would not be consistent with our dignity to do so after what has occurred. I know that Dr. Apjohn took a very prominent part in the preparation of the last Pharmacopoeia, and spent an immensity of time upon it, and yet I think his services were hardly recognised.

Dr. COLLINS said he knew that the services of Dr. Apjohn in connection with the last Pharmacopoeia were not

sufficiently recognised.

The Registrar read a letter from Mr. T. S. Hance, dated the "Poor Law Surgery, Limerick," forwarding his subscription of 1l. 1s. to the Society, and asking whether the Society would consider his certificates of pharmacy in conformity with the requirements of the Act. The shop he kept was not a public place of business; but he had the sanction of the Local Government Board for taking apprentices, and his certificates were recognised by all the medical boards.

PRESIDENT: Does he compound prescriptions for the

public?

Mr. Wells: He does not. It is not a shop. He has merely the dispensary to the workhouse; and I know that he has taken pupils there for some years.

It was ordered that Mr. Hance should be informed that the Act of Parliament did not admit of the Society recognising his certificates.

A report of the Law Committee was adopted.

A report of the Examiners stated that ten candidates had

passed the Preliminary examination.

Some financial business having been disposed of the Council adjourned.

Metropolitan Reports.

CRICKET. — Messrs. Burgoyne, Burbidges, Cyriax & Farries' Cricket Club have opened the season in fine form, as the following score of their first match this season, played on Page's Ground, Tufnell Park, on May 5, will show.

Clark, Nicholl & Co.'s Cricket Club.

Mr.	J. Horn, c. and b. Pannell	 	 	6
22	Asser, c. Arnold, b. Pannell		 	4
12	Grinsfeld, l.b.w., b. Pannell	 	 	15
22	Brown, b. Finnemore	 	 	3
.,	Dawson, b. Finnemore	 	 	0
13	Berry, b. Pannell	 	 	8
+>	Lewis, b. Pannell	 	 	0
22	Norden, l.b.w., b. Pannell	 	 	0
**	Wilson, c. Pannell	 	 	0
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٠,	Wallancke, b. Wickham	 	 	4
	Extras	 	 	4
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				45

B. B. & Co.'s Cricket Club

Mr.		 	 	 40
11	Cornell, b. Dawson	 	 	 13
22		 	 	 34
22	Finnemore, b. Dawson	 	 	 26
22		 	 	 4
	Extras	 	 	 5

Mcssrs, Tate, Reid, Harwood, Wickham, Huckett, and Gibson to bat,

Provincial Reports.

CHESTER.

BOILER EXPLOSION AT ABRATED-WATER WORKS.—On May I the boiler of a 5-horse power engine at Mr. Lyle's aërated-water manufactory in Victoria road, Chester, burst with a loud explosion. The men had been engaged during the night. Everything proceeded satisfactoriy until six o'clock, when the boiler burst, completely wrecking the building, hurling masses of bricks and slates in all directions. The horizontal boiler, about 10 feet in length and 4 feet in diameter, was blown completely through an 18-inch wall into an adjoining cottage, where it became lodged in an upright position. A woman and child slept in the next room to that into which the boiler was hurled, and experienced a miraculous escape. Mr. Lyle, the proprietor, with a workman, were engaged in the manufactory at the moment. The man's scalds were dressed at the infirmary, and he was enabled to leave, but Mr. Lyle was shockingly scalded and wounded about the body. The origin of the explosion remains unexplained.

LIVERPOOL.

THE LIVERPOOL CHEMISTS' ASSOCIATION.

AT the meeting of this Association held on April 26, Mr Joseph Woodcock, the President, delivered his valedictory address, in the course of which he commented on the Phar-

macy Bill in the following terms :-

There is one of the clauses which, whilst willing for the general good to sink all petty differences of opinion, I must express my regret at seeing included. I allude to that 2nd clause, which has received so much disapproving criticism from pharmacists in all parts of the country. The Editor of the Pharmaceutical Journal, writing last Saturday upon the subject, appears to imagine that misapprehension of the exact purport of the provision lies at the root of this hostile attitude; but I would venture, in all respect, to assure him that chemists and druggists are not necessarily babes and sucklings. Dr. Panl asserts, in effect, that as unlicensed persons are at present permitted to retail certain poisons which the clause in question is intended to affect, it would not be an injustice to pharmacists if some purely formal restrictions were placed upon their sale by persons possessing no knowledge of their properties; and again, that the articles in question are not such as should be entirely entrusted, for retail distribution, to chemists and druggists.

Everybody knows, all pharmacists at any rate, that these poisons are not, and never have been, subjected to any regulations whatever; but our respected Editor forgets that it is the principle, and not the facts, to which we take exception-a principle which, in my humble opinion, has been propounded, and to the present time acted upon, from the very foundation of the Pharmaceutical Society. Chemists themselves were first educated; practitioners of medicine were then educated; public opinion was educated; Parliament itself was educated to the belief that competent knowledge of dangerous drugs was a necessary and most important qualification of the person who distributed them to the public; and now, after forty years of uphill, though fairly successful, labour we turn round and say, in effect, that it was all a mistake; qualification is only necessary where grains and drachms, penny worths and shillingsworths are to be dispensed; but, where gallons and sovereigns are in question, the sale may be entrusted, without any irksome precautions, to the huckster who defines tinct. camph. co. as " Paddy's got it," and the root of Exogonium Purga as " jollup. But, answer the promoters of the Bill, the Privy Council —Government—refuses to have anything to do with a measure entirely confining the sale of these acids to any class, even though it be a specially educated class. Well, what then? Our duty as qualified pharmacists lies very clear. If a lay Government, knowing little or nothing about poisons and their sale, feels sufficient confidence in its own abilities to undertake the task of legislating in that direction, it is welcome to try. Ministers may add the clause; but pharmacists, necessarily knowing far more about the subject than even eminent statesmen, should firmly and decidedly refuse to have anything to do with the proposal. It has been well said that if this Bill becomes an Act the last poison has been added to Part 2 of the present schedule. More; I should not be at all surprised if Parliament amalgamated that list with the newly-proposed schedule of "poisonous" articles, oxalic acid, for instance, having quite as large a general, and I may say unpharmaceutical, sale as carbolic.

With regard to the second opinion I have quoted from the editorial remarks in the Journal of last Saturday, there need very little be said. If carbolic and the other acids do not pertain to the proper sphere of pharmacy, neither do potassic cyanide (largely employed by workers in the noble metals), arsenic and corrosive sublimate (both used extensively in taxidermy), or that oxalic acid which I have just quoted. We must, in fact, cease talking about what should properly pertain to pharmacy, and think of what does belong

to it at present in England.

With all the remaining provisions of the draft, I am glad to say, I can heartily agree. I am sorry that THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST, a journal which possesses a large amount of influence, should persist in the policy it has ever adopted, of promoting disumion in the pharmaceutical body. Opposition to the Pharmaceutical Society, and, above all, to the Council of that society, plainly lies at the root of the captious and irritating manner in which it refers to the "Bloomsbury Clauses" of this Bill. With all due respect to the editor of THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST, I would assure him that most of the old, and nearly all of the new, class of pharmacists consider these identical "Bloomsbury Clauses" as at least equally important with other portions of the Bill. Their aim—their noble and praiseworthy aim—is union; the consolidation of the whole heterogeneous collection of practitioners of pharmaceutical chemist," and, it is to be hoped, by some future arrangement, of "member of the Pharmaceutical Society;" for until the two are invariably combined we shall never be able to exercise that influence our numbers and educational standing should command.

Mr. Edward Davies, F.C.S., was elected President of the

Association for next year.

REGISTERED CHEMISTS' TRADE ASSOCIATION.—We have received a copy of the report of the committee of this Association, which numbers 55 paying members. During the past year several meetings have been held to discuss trade subjects, and a fith edition of the price-list has been published, which, it is said, is applied for from all parts of the country. At the annual meeting on April 5, Mr. Symes was elected president, Mr. Woodcock vice-president, Mr. R. Parkinson treasurer, and Mr. J. Hocken, 31 Old Hull Street, secretary.

NOTTINGHAM.

NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS CHEMISTS' ASSOCIATION.-The monthly meeting of the Association was held on April 25, the President in the chair. Mr. H. Major, B.A., delivered a very interesting lecture on "Beverages." He stated that beverages, or water in some form or other, was a necessity to the human body-in fact, the body itself contained 87 per cent. of water, muscle containing 75 per cent. The functions of the body could not be carried on without water, its greatest use being the reduction of heat in the system. There is no definite standard as to the purity of water in the ordinary sense of the word. The lecturer next dealt with milk as a beverage, as the next in importance, and containing all the elements necessary to the sustenance of life. He remarked that less milk was drunk in England than in any other country of Europe, the average being only a 1 pint per head per day. After speaking of the adulteration of milk, he directed the attention of his hearers to tea and coffee as beverages, stating that the former was preferable for general use, as it excites vital action and perspiration, and acts directly upon the cerebral portion of the brain. Coffee does not induce perspiration, but rather suppresses it, and in this respect is less valuable than tea. In conclusion, the lecturer made some remarks upon alcohol, stating that whisky was the oldest form in which this was used as a beverage, but it was with great difficulty that either it or brandy or gin was obtained pure, the latter especially being "doctored" to a very large extent. Rum is the purest form of spirit obtainable in England. Treating on alcohol as a food, he deprecated its use, remarking that it was a narcotic, and certainly could not be proved to be of any value in the

human economy. The lecture was listened to with great interest, and at its close a vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. Beverley and seconded by Mr. Warriner, was accorded to Mr. Major.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

THE CHEMICAL TRADE.—The sale of the site of the works of Messrs. J. & W. Allen, of Wallsend, to a neighbouring shipbuilding firm, is announced. This sale will go far to extinguish the alkali manufacture in Northumberland, this being the last of the works that carry on the manufacture on the north banks of the Tyne. The alkali manufacture is about eighty-seven years old on the Tyne, Mr. W. Losh and Mr. Thomas Doubleday having experimented largely in the last two decades of the last century. Mr. Losh, in 1792, commenced the manufacture at Walker-Lords Dundonald and Dundas, and Messrs. J. & W. Losh, John Surtees, and Aubone being the partners, according to the able paper of Messrs, Richardson, Clapham & Stevenson, read at the Newcastle meeting of the British Association. Within a very few years the Walker works were followed by Doubleday & Easterby's, at Bill Quay, by others at Felling, Jarrow, and Friar's Goose. Twenty years ago the trade had attained large dimensions on both sides of the Tyne, there being about half-a-dozen works on the Northumberland side. One by one, the works at the northern side have since been

NEWTON ABBOT.

ON April 17 a fire broke out in the shop of Mr. Rogers, chemist, Bank Street, which did much damage.

OLDHAM.

OLDHAM CHEMISTS' ASSISTANTS' AND APPRENTICES' Association.—On April 24 this Society discussed the Draft Pharmacy Act Amendments Bill. The President (Mr. A. E. Martin) spoke highly of the efforts of the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society to draw up a satisfactory measure, and welcomed the Bill as an honest attempt to settle a difficult question, but objected strongly to clause 2 as being, in his opinion, contrary to the best interests of the trade and the public. The present educated class of chemists came into existence in consequence of the law requiring the vendors of poisons to be educated practical men, and clause 2 was an unnecessary retrogression into the dark ages of pharmacy. After discussion, a resolution was carried unanimously expressing general approval of the measure, with the exception of clause 2. The resolution declared the opinion of the meeting that it would be better to have no Amendment Act at all than to legalise the sale of poisonous articles by others than registered chemists.

SHEFFIELD.

THE SURGICAL INSTRUMENT TRADE.—The Sheffield correspondent of THE IRONMONGER reports that there is little buoyancy in this department at the moment, but the leading manufacturers are steadily employed, and have not much to complain of as times go. In most of the larger articles local manufacturers find no difficulty in underselling the French makers, whilst in regard to Germany its productions in this line are too well known in the Fatherland to be held in very high esteem. For much the same reason German competition for the home trade has faded almost to nothing, medical instruments belonging to that class of tool to tamper with the quality of which is to court failure. Amputationcases and edged instruments are a large feature of the French trade, and upon these items manufacturers are well employed. The trade with America, which was once of very respectable proportions, has been practically killed off by the extra 10 per cent, duty which was levied on surgical cutlery a few years ago. The London requirements, while moderately large, are not quite up to expectation. The volume of metropolitan orders may be taken as the best index to the condition of the trade, since an unfairly large proportion of the wants of the faculty is still supplied through London manufacturers, who transmit the work to Sheffield houses. This practice is, no doubt, a relic of the once high reputation of London for the finer kinds of entlery, and though this superiority has long ceased to be anything more than a tradition-except in a few select instruments which require

to be entirely made by one person—the idea is still nursed by the metropolitan representatives of the craft with great care. One of the best branches of the trade just now is the brass instrument, which, notwithstanding the rivalry of rulcanite, &c., is being largely adapted to syringes, stomach-pumps, &c. A growing popularity is reported in reference to electric machines for rheumatic and similar allments, and an improving demand for trusses, electric-belts, &c., has developed that feature of the trade considerably of late. W. & H. Hutchinson are fairly employed on the orders to hand from their wide and old-established circle of enstomers. Joseph Gray & Son are relatively busy. Mr. Skidmore is also steadily employed on dental instruments.

WEST HARTLEPOOL

SUICIDE OF A CHEMIST'S ASSISTANT.—A lamentable suicide is reported from West Hartlepool. Between 8 and 9 A.M. on May 2, Mr. Thomas P. Robinson, assistant to and relative of Mr. Richard B. Harpley, chemist, of Church Street, was discovered lying dead in his bed with his throat frightfully cut, and a blood-stained razor beside him. Mr. Harpley's son, a youth of 18, who siept in a bed in the same room, retired to rest about the same time as the deceased—10.30—and, after falling asleep about midnight, slept undisturbed, and was unaware of the tragedy until the hour named above. Deceased had been slightly alling a day or two, but no serious consequences were anticipated, he being of a very cheerful disposition and having excellent worldly prospects.

WREXHAM.

DINNER.—On May-day Mr. J. F. Edisbury, proprietor of the Notth Wales Mineral Waters Factory, gave a dinner to his employ 6s, which was attended also by the Mayor of the town and by a large number of other local notables, who congratulated Mr. Edisbury on the rapid extension of his business.

BRITISH PHARMACEUTICAL CONFERENCE.

A MEETING of the Executive Committee was held at 17 Bloomsbury Square on Thursday, April 26, at 4 P.M. Present:—Professor Attfield, F.R.S., &c., President, in the obair; Messrs. Brady, Carteighe, Ekin, Squire, Taylor, and Messrs. Benger and Plowman (Hon. Sees.).

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Letters of apology for non-attendance were read from Messrs. Ashton, Kinninmont, Radley, and Yonng.

Letters of thanks for copies of the Year-Book of Pharmacy were read from the following Societies:—Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, Royal Society, Pharmaceutical Society (London), Pharmaceutical Society (North British Branch), Glasgow Chemists and Druggists' Association, Hull Chemists' Association, Liverpool Chemists' Association, and Sheffleld Pharmaceutical and Chemical Society, A letter was read from Mr. O. R. Dawson, Secretary to

A letter was read from Mr. O. R. Dawson, Secretary to the local committee of the last conference meeting, expressing thanks on behalf of the chemists of Southampton for

the Bell and Hill's gift of books.

In reference to a resolution passed at a previous meeting, that a circular inviting to membership be sent to all registered chemists in Great Britain and Ireland not already connected with the Conference, it was resolved "that the mode of cavassing be adopted as on previous occasions, and that the secretaries be instructed to carry out the details."

The question of the desirability of appointing Colonial secretaries was discussed, and the secretaries were instructed to obtain the names of suitable gentlemen in the Colonies and India willing to undertake the duties, and to submit them to a future meeting for further consideration.

The Hon. Secs. reported that the arrangements for the Southport meeting were making satisfactory progress.

The names of a number of members whose subscriptions were in arrears were ordered to be removed from the list.

The following gentlemen were elected to membership:—Garrett, Mr. T. P., Newport, Mon; Holmes, Mr. C. J., London; Horrell, Mr. A. E. J., Dartford; Martin, Mr. A. E. J., Dartford; Martin, Mr. A. E. J., Coldham; Paterson, Mr. C., Follokshields; Righton, Mr. J., Southport; Rookledge, Mr. F. B., Easingwold; Tocher, Mr. G., Helensburgh; Gabriel, Mr. A. W., Queanbeyan, N.S.W.; Wilkinson, Mr. T. M., Dunedin, New Zealand.

THE PHARMACEUTICAL EXAMINATIONS.

THE following are abstracts of the reports submitted to the Privy Connoil on the Pharmacentical Examinations for 1882, by Dr. E. Headlam Greenhow and Dr. Douglas Maclagan, the official Government inspectors for England and Scotland respectively.

DR. GREENHOW'S REPORT.

The Preliminary Examination.—Ont of 1,269 candidates 629 passed, a rather better proportion than last year, but about equal to the average of the last five years. Dr. Greenhow approves of the changes proposed in the details of this examination, and also of the proposed regulation that it

should be passed previous to apprenticeship.

Of the rejected candidates, 15 who had obtained the minimum passing number of marks allotted to each subject failed because they had not gained half the aggregate number of marks required for passing the entire examination; 80 failed in all the subjects; 303 in arithmetic; 173 in two of the three subjects; 49 in English; and 20 in Latin. This latter number, however, by no means represents the actual number of failures in Latin, for if those who failed in all the subjects, or in two of them whereof Latin was one, and those also who failed in the aggregate, be added together the rejections for Latin amount to 181; and even of those candidates who pass the Preliminary examination a considerable number, amounting last year to 60, fail at the Minor examination in translating prescriptions written in Latin.

Major Examination.—During last year 94 candidates were examined for the Major examination, and 58, or 61.7 per cent., failed. This is the largest proportion of failures that has ever occurred; the next largest having been in 1880, when 543 per cent. were found incompetent. The large number of rejections last year cannot be ascribed either to any change in the regulations for conducting the examination or to increased strictness on the part of the examiners.

As it is an examination for honours the standard is not too high. It is a good practical examination. Of the 58 rejected candidates 19 failed upon the examination as a whole; 29 in chemistry and practical work, and 18 in botany

or botany and materia medica.

Minor Examination.—During last year 572 candidates offered themselves for this examination, of whom 242 passed and 330, or 577 per cent., failed. This, again, is the largest proportion of rejections, excepting in 1874, when the rejections amounted to 693 per cent. Since that year the proportion of rejections has ranged from 481 to 54.6 per cent. in different years.

Of the 330 rejected candidates last year, seventy-five failed in the examination as a whole, that is to say, although they had gained the minimum passing number of marks in each of the several subjects, they did not obtain half the aggregave number of marks upon the whole examination. As a rule, candidates are seldom very weak in one subject only, but when a man is weak in one branch of the examination he fails more or less completely in the other subjects.

The examination for each subject is conducted by a different examiner, so that a candidate who fails in the aggregate must have been found incompetent by six different examiners, who are rarely aware how he has acquitted himself in the other subjects. Of the remainder, eighty-one failed in chemistry, thirty-nine in reading Latin prescriptions, thirty in materia medica, twenty-four in practical dispensing, nineteen in pharmacy, sixteen in botany, and forty-six in two of these subjects.

During the fourteen years Dr. Greenhow has watched the examinations, he has invariably been favourably impressed with the efficiency, tact, and good sense of the examiners. The standard has necessarily been slowly raised as the number of candidates who commenced their education before the passing of the Pharmacy Act has been reduced.

He is quite sure that the present examination is a sufficient test of competency in those who pass. It may, indeed, possibly happen that a rather weak candidate occasionally passes, though he cannot recollect such an instance; but, on the other hand, he believes that no really competent candidate is ever rejected. He is also satisfied that all those who pass are qualified to carry on the business of a chemist and druggist with safety to the public, which must be regarded as the essential purpose and requirement of the Pharmacy

Dr. Greenhow repeats his approval of the recommendations that the Preliminary examination should be passed prior to the commencement of the period of apprenticeship or pupilage, and that the candidates should be required to produce evidence of apprenticeship or pupilage of not less than three years with some duly registered chemist and denorist.

The omission of compulsory apprenticeship seems to him an oversight in the Pharmacy Act. The regulation at present in force, that candidates for the Minor must produce a certified declaration that they have been for three years registered and employed as apprentices or students, or have been otherwise for three years practically engaged in the translation and dispensing of prescriptions, has not been found to afford a sufficient guarantee that the candidates actually have had the practical training that was intended. The proposed regulation would make the master by implication partly responsible for the progress of his apprentice, and the apprenticeship might well be extended to five years. When the apprenticeship is served in a small country pharmacy it might be arranged, with the concurrence of the master, that the two last years of the apprenticeship should be passed in a pharmacy in some large town, where better opportunities for learning might be found; or, the last year might, at the option of the apprentice, be occupied in attending a certain specified course of instruction in practical chemistry at a recognised school of pharmacy.

The proposal to divide the Minor examination into two parts seems unobjectionable to Dr. Greenhow, but he would hold it only in London and Edinburgh, and he would not insist on an interval of more than a few days between the two parts. The present rival voce examination in prescriptions, pharmacy, and botany is very practical and satisfactory. A written examination as proposed would be an inadequate substitute for it.

The case is otherwise as regards theoretical chemistry, and a written examination on that subject might very beneficially be added to the present practical one, provided it was not allowed to stand in any respect as a substitute for it. It might be held on the same day as the examination in prescriptions, pharmacy, and botany, a cetain fixed time being allowed for writing the answers.

The recommendation that the candidate be required to produce evidence that he has, since passing the Preliminary examination, attended a course of lectures on materia medica, a course of lectures on chemistry, a course of lectures on botany, and a course of instruction in practical chemistry, is not intended to come into operation until after December 31, 1887. Dr. Greenhow has already expressed his opinion that such a curriculum is not required for the purpose of the Pharmacy Act, and sees no reason for changing that opinion. As a matter of fact, a certain number of the candidates do not attend such lectures; and a portion of the apprenticeship might, at a candidate's option, be passed in following such a curriculum. whilst he would not discourage the candidates from attending the proposed course of instruction if they pleased, he would not enforce such attendance. From the preamble of the Pharmacy Act Dr. Greenhow infers that no restriction beyond what is necessary for the safety of the public was intended to be imposed upon pharmacists, and he has been able from year to year to express his satisfaction with the results of the examination, and his opinion that, as at present conducted, it affords a sufficient guarantee for such safety.

So long as this is the case, no additional burden should be imposed on candidates for the qualifying examination. If the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society have the legal power to enforce the regulation respecting a carriculum—and Dr. Greenhow presumes that they have had advice on the subject—he hopes that they will first try the effect of the regulations concerning the Preliminary examination and the stricter apprenticeship before going any further. The standard for the Major examination he thinks might be very properly raised.

DR. MACLAGAN ON PHARMACEUTICAL EXAMINATIONS IN EDINBURGH.

The report covers the years 1880 to 1883.

The results of the examinations conducted during this period will appear from the following statement:—

			Candidates	Passed	Failed	Percentage of Failures
Majors Minors Modified	::	::	29 292 6	15 166 2	14 126 4	48·2 43·15 66·6
			327	_	_	-

The proportion of failures is increasing, as is shown by the table below:—

						1877-80	1880-83
Majors Minors Modified	::	::	::	::	::	37·5 37·8 50	48·2 43·15 67

Candidates seem very ignorant of the preparation required of them for examination.

The new examiners on the board, while thoroughly efficient, are not stricter than their predecessors.

In the Major examinations eleven failures out of fourteen are due to deficiency in practical chemistry. This examination is held first, and those who fail in it do not go forward to the rival voce examination.

The percentages of failures at the Minor examination, due to insufficiency in the various subjects, is given below:—

						1877-80	1880-83
Botany Chemistry						32·12 23·08	20·80 17·44
Materia med		::	::		::	6.41	.671
Prescription Dispensing	read	ling	::	::	::	1·92 15·38	5·36 12·08
Pharmacy		••				23 08	12.08

In botany candidates are more often deficient in vegetable organography and vegetable physiology. In chemistry the average knowledge of candidates has increased: one candidate presented himself to whom the examiner very properly did not give a single mark for chemistry. He did not, for instance, know any way of distinguishing sulphate of zine from sulphate of magnesia, except by the taste.

Every year Dr. Maclagan is more and more impressed with the necessity for a forced curriculum. Even in candidates who pass, the want of systematic instruction is observable.

It is easy to observe, though impossible to define, the difference between a correct and intelligent answer, between one which is the result of cram and one which is the outcome of a good instruction. But the difference can be seen better when the candidate has made a blunder. The intelligent and instructed man retrieves himself, and shows that he knows more than at first sight appeared; the man who has crammed, in his struggles to correct his mistake, only flounders more and more deeply into the mud. The remedy for this is true systematic instruction.

In materia medica, the specimens shown to candidates are too good in quality. It would be well to show bad specimens, to see if inferior and false drugs can be recognised.

Dr. Maclagan is an advocate for purer Latinity; he stigmatises as incorrect pronunciations which he has heard—atropa, gentiana lutea, contum, actum, and liquofis, and gibbets an advertisement in a medical journal as a hideous violation of two of the most elementary rules of Latin grammar.

In dispensing and pharmacy the proportion of failures is the same in both, and ranks next to the two scientific subjects. While there must be many creditable exceptions, there can be little doubt that, to a large extent, members of the pharmaceutical profession do not do their duty properly to their apprentices. If young menduring their apprenticeship do not learn pharmacy and dispensing, it may come to be asked, and in a very practical form, what do they learn during the three years' apprenticeship the utility of which is so much insisted on? If the apprentice is merely to learn the routine duties which fall on anyone standing behind a counter, six months would be enough, and the three years' apprenticeship might be abolished with advantage. Pharmacists would have themselves to blame were this to come about, and would regret it if they found that, instead of having apprentices to aid them in their business, they would need to secure the services of assistants, which cost money. It is an immoral thing in a pharmacist to take a young man as his apprentice and not to enable him to learn the very things which his master can teach him. Every discouragement should be given to the too common practice of purchasing galenical preparations, such as tinctures, from wholesale houses, instead of making the apprentice prepare them and seeing that he does so accurately. Perhaps some change in the terms of indentures, enforcing more decidedly the duty of the master to teach his apprentice practical dispensing and pharmacy, would be of use in saving time which is wasted behind the counter in retail dealing, and which might more profitably be used at a school of systematic instruction.

Dr. Maclagan believes that the Minor examination affords ample security for the public safety. The Major examination, however, does little to raise up a class of scientific pharmacists. The difference between the two examinations is not so great as to lead him to object to the proposal to abolish the distinction between them, but this should be done by raising the standard of the pass examination, at least up to

the level of the present Major.

THE SOUTH LONDON SCHOOL OF PHARMACY.

O'N Monday, April 16, the prizes and certificates were distributed at the South London School of Pharmacy at Kennington. Mr. Charles R. White was the chairman on the occasion, supported by several parochial authorities, and a large audience of the friends of the students. Mr. W. Baxter introduced each candidate by a few appropriate words; and in the course of his remarks alluded to the probable alterations that might soon be made with respect not only to the regulations of Pharmacy, but to the constitution of existing schools. He had, however, the happiness of thinking that whatever changes new laws might create, the establishment under the care of Dr. Muter had uniformly done its duty. He had seen no less than a hundred men crowded into that laboratory, and for fifteen years the pharmaceutical and chemical studies had been carried on there with uniform success. The list of prizemen was as follows:—

			Medal	Certificate
Senior Chemistry			Mr. Tyson	 Mr. Austin
Junior Chemistry			Mr. Talbot	 Mr. Presbury
Botany			Mr. Micklem	Mr. Talbot
Materia Medica			Mr. Nicholls	 _
Practical Pharmacy	and	D:s.		
pensing			Mr. Presbury	Mr. Nichelle

FATRA CERTIFICATES OF MERIT.

Messrs, obnson, Arnott, Micklem, Cubey, Thwaites, Cooper, Cullwick, and Shepherd.

At the conclusion of the bestowal of these rewards, Mr. White enlarged upon the general subject of study, and pointed out some developments of applied chemistry, notably the electric light, to which attention might be devoted with advantage. He urged upon his hearers never to neglect their moral duties, and to make the best of the opportunities which were placed before them. Several speakers gave good counsel to their young audience; and one, especially, Mr. Churchwarden Bennett, contrasted the inciticient teaching of former days with the more accurate methods now employed. He, with much felicity, sketched the early career of the now distinguished Professor Abel, whom he had often noticed as one of the most diligent chemists, and who had by unremitted perseverance attained so high a position in his department as to be entitled to the honour of knighthood. Mr. Joseph Ince spoke immediately after

the chairman, thus: I own that I have often felt a degree of reluctance in so often addressing the students at this school, because I fear lest the same task, being confided to the same person, monotony must result. I am, therefore, grateful to the chairman for having himself taken part of this duty, and given excellent advice. Nevertheless, there are some things in which I do not see, and never wish to see, a change. There are not only assembled a large number of students, but a kindly audience, who are content to sacrifice one of the best hours of an opening week in encouraging, by their presence, the successful students of the past session.

Once again, after one brief interregnum, we have the pleasure of seeing the director of this establishment.

Dr. Muter.

I would venture, upon old friendship, to implore him not to be always bent upon doing too much, but that he would consent to husband that strength which is as important to others as to himself. Were it quite permissible, I would add the next thought which rises in my mind—it is a difficult thing to stand up before a crowd of pharmaceutical students, who are perfect julges of what is being said—but my troubles as a speaker are wonderfully diminished by standing literally face to face with, and before the approving smile of, Mr. Baxter. Now, just as a lady reserves her most serious communication for a postscript. I am about to follow that example.

There is one thing over which no change has come, and on the constancy of which we all rejoice—the prosperity of the South London School of Pharmacy: its benches have been filled; its teaching has been effectual, and its reputation

remains untouched.

Here my true difficulty begins. Many who have met here are men devoted to purely professional life; even some of those who are chemists are not so in a restricted sense, but attend to its higher and more scientific branches. Others, again, are engaged in the public service and direct our Metropolitan affairs. They would be tempted to enlarge more on the strictly scientific side of study. They would like to hear of study for its own sake—how it elevates the mind, and of the fascination it eserts. From an abstract point of view, I will yield to no one in praise or appreciation of intellectual culture.

But I bear in mind that I have been a practical and working pharmacist, and by pharmacy have had to get my bread. remember that I have worked in a laboratory with my own hands, and that, moreover, I have kept the books of a big house. I am, therefore, not likely to forget that the majority of you have entered this school hoping by the practice of pharmacy to gain an honourable livelihood. You wish by its means to win a competency, and from it to derive your future support. The Government steps in and says, These men shall not get their living in this way unless by certain imperative tests they show themselves competent to discharge their special duties. They are not mere tradesmen; vendors of ordinary commodities. They have to do with things affecting the public welfare; with substances which by ignorant use may become poisons; with poisons which by skilful use may be converted into healing remedies. We, the Government, forbid them to enter on their vocation until they have undergone the prescribed examinations. Well then, gertlemen, am I not representing the matter in a fair and sensible manner when I say that your first duty while here is to prepare for the inevitable, and to utilise to the utmost the resources which this school affords, in order that you may be enabled to pass those examinations which the law ordains, and which no sentimental or fanciful reasoning can avert? We have heard from the secretary that certain changes are imminent which possibly may affect this and other schools. There never was a period in my or your recollection when some upheaval was not threatening to take

I view with equanimity these wars and rumours of wars. Dynamite and sudden explosions are not limited to the material world. There always have been, and there always will be, new settings of external circumstances; these are but old things ranging themselves to suit the necessities of progress. Your best and wisest course is to do exactly what you are doing now, and let the future settle its own concerns. Carpe diem, not Carpe dies. Concentrate your full powers of heart and mind on the attainment of that sound knowledge which it is the object of this place to give.

Hereafter, and in fit time, you may wing higher flights and may find various remunerative applications of the knowledge you possess. To some of these the chairman has alluded, and most certainly they offer tangible advantages. But the world, or rather other cares, will never again grant you the chance of laying the foundation. Achieve that, and whatever changes, good or evil, may sweep over Pharmacy, you will have made yourselves independent of any such alterations, and you will find yourselves in possession of a vested right with which no one can interfere, and which none can take away.

A NEW BRITISH PHARMACOPŒIA.

Report by Professors Redwood, Bentley, and Attfield, on the Revision of, and Suggested Alterations in, the British Pharmacopaia.

To the Pharmacopoela Committee of the Medical Council. GENTLEMEN,—

HAVING received your instructions to proceed with the revision of the British Pharmacopecia, we now, in accordance with the suggestions made in our joint letter of November 7, enter into a more detailed explanation than we previously gave of the changes that seem to be required, and which we submit for your consideration.

Assuming that the general arrangement of the matter contained in the Pharmacopocia is satisfactory, we have principally directed our attention, in the first place, to the questions of nomenclature and notation, to the mode of representing quantities in describing various processes, and to some other questions which underlie the whole of the descriptive matter of the work; and, secondly, to the substances referred to under the various heads, to the desirability of omitting any of these, or of adding to their number, of altering any of the processes for their production, where such are given, and generally of improving or altering the descriptions by which the articles referred to are specified and defined.

Chemical Nomenclature.—By a slight alteration, principally in the terminal syllables of some of the Latin and English names applied to chemical compounds, these may be rendered more consistent, not only with the views now generally entertained by chemists, but also with the names applied in the Pharmacopoeia to other chemical substances. Thus, instead of using the names sulphate of potash, nitrate of ammonia, carbonate of lime, &c., it is proposed to substitute those of sulphate of potassium, nitrate of ammonium, carbonate of calcium, &c., and these names would be respectively Latinised as potassii sulphas, ammonii nitras, calcii carbonas, the abbreviated mode of expressing which, it will be observed, will not differ from that hitherto adopted in medical prescriptions. The substituted names are strictly consistent with those hitherto and still applied to corresponding salts of iron, lead, zinc, &c.; therefore with regard to these latter no alteration is required.

Symbolic Notation .- The use of symbolic formulæ in describing chemical compounds has the great advantage of defining their composition more exactly than the mere use of names is usually capable of doing, and on this account such formulæ have been freely used in the Pharmacopceia. At the time at which the present Pharmacopæia was being prepared a change was taking place from an old to a more modern system of chemical nomenclature, including a change in the values of many of the symbols used to represent chemical elements; and, as it was not then thought desirable at once to discard old names with their appropriate symbolic formulæ, these were retained, while at the same time a concession was made to the more modern views, by representing well-defined chemical compounds according to the new as well as the old system of notation. As the former has now become fully established, and as it is proposed to use the more modern nomenclature, we suggest that the old notation should be omitted. We may remark here, that since the publication of the Pharmacopæia in 1867, its definitions of the strength and composition of medicines have acquired additional importance in consequence of their being frequently referred to as authorised standards by which to estimate the quality of substances sold under the names there given. Such reference is sometimes made in the carrying-out of modern legislation, and especially of the Sale of Food and Drugs Act, in connection with which some of the symbolic formulæ of the Pharmacopeia have been applied in a sense they were not intended to bear, and it will be necessary in such instances to give to the formulæ a more qualified meaning. Thus, for instance, under the head of "Potasses Tartras Acida," the appended symbolic formula was intended merely to represent and define the composition of cream of tartra in a state of chemical purity, in which it is never met with in commerce. The action of the tests subsequently referred to recognises a certain departure from chemical purity, but as this is indefinite, while the other is precise and absolute, there has been room here for difference of opinion, which it is desirable to avoid.

Method of Representing the Quantities of Ingredients to be used in the Preparation of Medicines .- If all those engaged in preparing, prescribing, and dispensing medicines were familiar with and accustomed to use any one system of weights and measures, no more simple or better method could be desired for indicating the relative quantities of ingredients to be used in processes than that of specifying the quantities with relation to the recognised standards of such system. Practically, however, it is found that while the intercommunication of the inhabitants of all civilised nations is increasing, and while the importance of medical men and pharmacists of different nations being able readily to perceive the relation in composition and strength of the medicines they respectively use, is strongly urged and generally admitted, there is no system of weights and measures that all are familiar with, and unfortunately, the different systems that are in use, do not readily admit of a simple comparison of their several integers. Even with reference to the national system of this country we find the following statement in the preface to the Pharmacopæia :-"It must be admitted that the absence in the present system of any denomination of weight between the grain and the avoirdupois ounce of 437.5 grains, and the fact that the ounce is not a simple multiple of the grain, are grave defects. Still, it has not been thought desirable to make any change in this respect at present, especially as no practical inconvenience appears to be experienced in preparing, by means of these weights, the medicines ordered in the Pharmacopœia." And, again, it is stated :- "The Council are not insensible to the advantages that would result from the adoption of one uniform system of weights and measures, to be used alike for all substances and in all countries; and they observe with satisfaction the efforts which have been made for the realisation of this object; but, considering the paramount importance of avoiding errors in preparing and dispensing medicines, they cannot recom-mend that in such operations a system should be adopted which has been as yet but little used, and is to a great extent unknown in this country; and on this account they have not employed the metrical system, even as an alternative, excepting in the processes for volumetric estimations, which are so arranged that the same solutions may be made and used either with British weights and measures or with those of the metrical system." These statements appear to us, in their general bearing, to be applicable now with almost as much force as they possessed at the time at which they were written, and under that impression, and with the view of facilitating and promoting the more general use of metrical weights and measures, which the extension of a scientific education among pharmacists also tends to promote and facilitate, we have suggested and recommend that wherever applicable in the description of processes in the Pharmacopæia, proportional parts should be substituted for specific weights and measures. This method has already been adopted in the German and also in the United States Pharmacopœia. In Germany its adoption was greatly facilitated by the practice, always pursued in that country, of weighing liquid as well as solid medicines. In the United States, as in this country, it has been usual to measure liquid medicines; but with the exception of a few special preparations, the United States Pharmacopæia now orders the proportions of both liquids and solids to be adjusted by weight, and in such cases merely indicates proportional parts. We do not recommend so great a change as this would involve in the British Pharmacopæia, but think that, with few exceptions, parts might with advantage

be substituted for specified weights and measures, using the term "parts" to represent parts by weight, and "fluid parts" to indicate the volume of the specified number of parts of the same value of water. The Committee have resolved that the present and the proposed methods be both used in the new edition of the Pharmacopæia. It will thus be seen that in describing or interpreting a process by this method all the proportional numbers applied to that process must refer to one and the same denomination of weight or measure. In our previous communication we explained that there are measure-glasses in general use graduated to represent the volumes of various quantities in grains or ounces or other parts, by weight, of water, by the employment of which much of the difficulty that might be otherwise experienced in applying this method will be removed. In the great majority of cases the quantitative relations of ingredients in the processes is simple, and the application of the new method would be obvious and easy; but there are some processes that would require to be reconstructed, and in a few instances it will be necessary to slightly change the existing proportions of ingredients. There are even a few processes to which, as now given in the Pharmacopæia, the method is inapplicable. The only cases of this description, however, are those of the "enemas" and the "inhalations," the formula for each of which is given in the form in which it would be prescribed These might be left as exceptional cases

The following illustrations will serve to explain the way in which the new method, where applicable, would be applied:—

Pulvis Ipecacuanha Compositus.

Take of-

	Pr	esent Method	P	roposed Metho	bo
Ipecacuanha, in powder		½ oz.		1 part	
Opium, in powder		1 ,,		1 ,,	
Sulphate of potassium, in powder		4 ,,		8 .,	
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This is one of the most simple cases.

Mistura Cretæ.

Take of-

			Prese	ent Method	Prop	posed Method
Prepared chalk			 	1 OZ.		1 part
Gum acacia, in	powde	er.	 	ł "		1 "
Syrup			 	½ fl. oz.		2 fl. parts
Cinnamon			 7	1 ,,	8	30 ,,

Mistura Ferri Composita.

Take of-

	Pres	sent Method	P	roposed Method
Sulphate of iron		25 grains		6 parts
Carhonate of potassium		30 ,,		7 ,,
Myrrh of each		60 ,,		14 "
Spirit of nutmeg		4 fl. drms.		50 fl. parts
Rose water		9½ fl. oz.		1,000 ,,

The process here is reconstructed, and the proportions slightly altered and simplified.

We anticipate the following advantages from the adoption

We anticipate the following advantages from the adoption of the proposed method:—

 That the use of proportional numbers will tend to the simplification of proportions in compounded medicines.

 That the proportions given being equally applicable to either of the two systems of weights and measures, this will gradually lead to the more general use of the metrical system.

3. That the processes of the British Pharmacopoia will be nore intelligible to mediral men and pharmacists abroad who are accustomed to use the the metrical system exclusively, and that this will gradually lead to the assimilation of medicines bearing the same names as ordered in different pharmacopocias.

In describing medicines under the names officially adopted, we think it desirable to include synonyms as far as possible. We also think that extent of solubility is a character in many substances that should be specified, where it can be given on reliable authority; and we would suggest that where temperature is indicated, it should be expressed according to the Fahrenheit scale, with the corresponding degrees, Centigrade, added within brackets.

Having thus alluded to questions which relate generally to the proposed mode of constructing the descriptive representations of the medicines which it is the special object of the Pharmacopous to define, we proceed to offer a few

remarks with reference to the extent to which it appears desirable to omit any, or to add to the number of, the medicines at present described, or to alter any of the processes or verbal descriptions and definitions of the various substances treated of in the Pharmacopoxia. In doing this we must confine ourselves at present to a slight and general reference to medicines which might be omitted or introduced, reserving our opinions with reference to specific substances until we have had more extended opportunities for investigation, and especially for conferring with your Committee, and receiving snggestions from you as well as from those medical and pharmacentical anthorities which you may think it desirable to consult. We have already expressed the opinion that very few, if any, of the medicines at present described in the Pharmacopæia seem to call for exclusion, and that it is not desirable to introduce new remedies that might be proposed on slight or speculative grounds. There are, however, valuable remedies which have been brought into notice since the present edition of the Pharmacopæia was published, and which, having become established in medical use, it will no doubt be considered desirable to include among other official medicines. There are also pre-parations intended for special modes of administration, such as solutions for hypodermic injection, to which additions might be made.

With reference to the alteration of processes and of descriptions and definitions of the substances treated of in the Pharmacopocia, we may speak in more decided terms, being satisfied that there is room here for improvement, involving much experimental work. The proposed alteration in the mode of representing quantities in the several processes will of itself entail a vast amount of work, not only of calculation and reconstruction, but of preparation of the various products, to ascertain the effects of any slight alteration of proportions that may be made. Similar changes, involving an equally great amount of work, will be required in connection with the chemical processes generally, and for extending and rendering more complete the application of chemical tests.

With reference to the vegetable materia medica, very great advance has been made since the issue of the Pharmacopcia in 1807, so that all the articles describing drugs of vegetable origin will require complete revision, as regards their botanical sources, synonyms, reference to figures, characters, and tests, and many will have to be entirely rewritten. These changes will, however, in no degree interfere with the general character of the work as at present designed, but only make it scientifically accurate, and render the diagnosis and determination of the purity of such drugs a matter of but little difficulty.

We are, yours faithfully,

T. REDWOOD.
ROBERT BENTLEY.
JOHN ATTFIELD.

17 Bloomsbury Square, January 5.

BRITISH PHARMACOPŒIA.

The articles in the following lists are suggested, subject to further consideration, with a view to their addition to, or omission from, the British Pharmacopoeia:—

· 1. For Addition.

- Acidum boracicum.
 - ,, hyprobromicum.
- oleicum.
- ,, phosphoricum (syrupy)
- ", salicylicum.
 Antimonium nigrum purificatum.
 Apomorphie hydrochloras.
 Argenti nitras dilntam.

Codeina.

Elaterinum. Gelseminnm sempervirens, and some preparation of it. Iodoformum.

Iodoformum. Lupulinnm. Oleum eucalypti. Oleo-resina cubehæ.

Physostigmia or eserine, Pilocarpine hydrochloras, Pilula copaibe.

Pilula copaibæ. Rhamnus frangula and its fluid ex-

- tract. Sodii bromidnm.
- " iodidnm. " salicylicum.
- " salcyncum. " sulphis. " sulphocarhola". Syrnpus hypophosphitum cum ferro (Parrish's syrup).
- (Parrish's syrup).

 Tiuctura chloroformi et morphiæ
 (chlorodyne).
- (chlorodyne). Unguentum paraffini (vaseline).
- 2. For omission. Hydrarpyri iodidum viride. Succus rhamni. Syrupus rhamni.

rhamni.
T. REDWOOD.
ROBERT BENTLEY.
JOHN ATTFIELD.

17 Bloomsbury Square, April 11.

EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES - SPECIAL NOTICE TO CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS.

THE following circular is in course of issue from the Home Office to the local authorities and police throughout the Kingdom:-

"Sir,—I am directed by the Secretary of State to inform you that it appears to him desirable that the attention of the local authorities and of the police should he directed to the importance of exercising special and vigilant observation with a view to preventing the acquisition by persons for unlawful objects, not only of explosives adapted for such purposes, but of the materials with which, if possessed of a little technical knowledge, they would be able to manufacture explosives.

"With a view to assisting you in exercising such observa-tion, I beg to enclose a memorandum which has been drawn up by Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Explosives, and which enumerates the more important of the materials which are capable of heing more or less readily applied to the production

of explosive

"It would be desirable that you should take immediate steps to bring this circular under the notice of all pharmaceutical chemists, chemists and druggists, drysalters, oil and colour men, and manufacturers of or dealers in chemicals within your jurisdiction, and otherwise obtain for it such publicity as may be practicable in order that any suspicious cases of purchase or possession may be promptly brought

under the notice of the police.

"I am at the same time to call your attention to certain provisions of the Explosives Act, 1875, e.g., section 69, which directs that 'it shall be the duty of every local authority to carry into effect the powers vested in them under this Act,' and to the powers of appointing officers (sections 69 and 75), and the considerable powers of search and seizure conferred by sections 73, 74, and 75. You will not fail to observe that section 73 gives a power to search for ingredients of an explosive as well as for the explosive itself, while the Explosive Substances Act, 1883, which incorporates the same powers, extends them to the search for and seizure of any apparatus for firing explosives.

"Section 23 of the Explosives Act, 1875, imposes upon the occupiers of factories, magazines, stores, and registered premises the obligation of taking all due precautions for preventing unauthorised persons having access to the factory, magazine, or store, or to the explosive therein or in the registered premises, and attention should he at once called to any case in which it may appear to the local authority that this obligation is imperfectly discharged. The local authorities should also require their officers to direct the particular attention of the occupiers of all stores and registered premises within their jurisdiction to this obligation.

"I am also to insist upon the importance of the local authority availing themselves of the powers which the Explosives Act of 1875 confers upon them of appointing competent officers to carry out the Act within their juris. diction; and these officers should he enjoined to direct their particular attention to the prevention, by every means in their power, of the illegal manufacture and possession of

explosive.

"I am to add that a reward of 100l. will be given to any person (other than a person belonging to a police force in the United Kingdom) who furnishes information which may lead to the discovery and conviction of any person who may be engaged in the illegal manufacture of explosive, in any case in which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State that such illegal manufacture constituted a serious infraction of the law, and was being carried on for a criminal purpose.

"I am, sir, your obedient servant,

"A. O. F. LIDDELL.

"The Clerk to the Local Authority under the Explosives Act, 1875."

MEMORANDUM.

"Independently of the purchase of explosives (such as dynamite, blasting gelatine, gun-cotton, tonite, potentite, and detonators), specially adapted for blasting, and, therefore, generally available for destructive purposes, by persons who may not be reasonably supposed to require the same for industrial objects, suspicion should attach to the acquisition in notable quantities of all or any of the materials adapted for the making of explosives when the person seeking to purchase the same is unknown to the seller, or is not known to require such materials for trade purposes or other legitimate use.

"Among the substances which fall within this category may be specially enumerated the following:-Nitric acid, sulphuric acid, especially in their more concentrated forms; glycerine, saltpetre, Chili saltpetre (nitrate of sodium), chlorates (especially chlorate of potash), picrates, picric acid, phosphorus; iodine, metallic mercury, nitrate of mercury, even in comparatively small quantities; orpiment.

"V. D. MAJENDIE, Colonel, Her Majesty's Chief

Inspector of Explosives."

FOREIGN CUSTOMS TARIFFS.

INDIAN CUSTOMS TARIFF.

THE only articles of interest to druggists on which import duty is levied in India are spirit and opium.

Spirit intended to be used exclusively in arts or manufactures, or in chemistry, which has been rendered effectually and permanently unit for human consumption, or when used in drugs, medicines, or observed in a proportion less than 20 per cent. of spirit of the strength of London proof, 5 per cent. at arlorem. Spirit is a used in a proportion of 20 per cent. and upwards; perfumed spirit in wood or in bottles containing more than 4 ox., and other sorts of spirit, per imperial gailon, or six-part bottles of the strength of London proof, 4 rupees, and the duty to be increased in proportion as the strength of the spirit exceed Endondon proof or 50 per cent. And the strength of London proof is the strength of London proof is the strength of London proof is the strength of London proof. For the spirit exceed Endondon proof is of the strength of London proof is considered by a Government pass, per of 10 toles of the strength of the proper cellength is sufficient to a drawback equal to the amount of duty already paid on it. The rupee is officially reckonel at 2s.

CEYLON CUSTOMS TARIFF.

pium, 1s. per lb. Spirits and cordials, 5s. per imperial gallon.

Spirits and cordinis, 5s. per imperial gallon.
All other goods, 5 pr cent. and subrem, except acids, areca nuts, arrow.
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all otts, off the produce of creatures living in the sea, refuse of saltyers of
all sorts, off (the produce of creatures living in the sea, refuse of saltyers
for manure only, blacking, brimstone, brushes, candles, cutch, fuller's
earth, ground nuts, surgical instruments, olis (kerosene, vegetable, earth,
linseed), orchilla weed, resin, saco, Stockholm tar, tail-w and grease, tar
and pitch, woods, dye, sandal, and of sorts.

The importation is prohibited of—

Earth-, oil-, or mineral-naphthas, gun-cotton and nitroglycerine, except by license of the governor.

CUSTOMS TARIFF-CHINA.

Catty = 1 lb. 5 oz. 5 drs., or 11 lb. avoirdupois; 1 tael = 10 mace = 100 candarines = 1,000 cash = 6s, 8d,

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Assafætida, per 100 cattles 6m. 5c.	Gum, dragon's blood,
Beeswax ., 1t.	myrrh, and olihanum,
Camphor, Baroos, clean	per 100 cattles 41m.
per catty 1t. 3m.	Isinglass, per 100 catties 61m.
Camphor, Baroos, refuse,	Lucraband seed, per 100
per catty 7m. 2½c.	cattles 31c.
Cardamoms, superior, per	Mace, per 100 cattles 1t.
100 catties 1t.	
Cardamoms, inferior, or	Quicksilver ,, 2t. Nutmegs 24t.
	Nutmegs ,, 21t. Olives ,, 1m. 8c.
grains of Paradise, per 100 cattles 5m.	Olives ,, Im. oc.
	Opium ov.
Cinnamon, per 100 catties 1t. 5m.	
Cloves " fm.	Saltpetre (see Rules) per
" mother " 1m 8c.	100 catties 5m.
Cochineal " 5t.	Sandal wood 4m.
Indian cow bezoar per	S-pan wood, per 100
catty 1½t,	catties 1m.
Cutch, per 100 cattles 1m. 8c.	Sticklac, per 100 catties 7t. 2m.
Gambier ,, 1m. 5c.	Sulphur and brimstone
Gamboge , 1t.	(see Rules) per 100
Ginseng, American crude,	catties 2m.
per 100 catties 6t.	Optical instruments 5 p.c. ad val.
Ginseng, American clari-	Japan wax, per 100 cat-
fied, per 100 cattles 8t.	ties 61m.
Gum Benjamin, and oil	11.0 10 11 11 -2
of, per 100 cattles 6m.	
or, per reconstruction one.	

RULES, &C.

Sago, perfumery, soap of all kinds, candles, foreign medicines and glass are admitted free. All articles not specified pay 5 per cent. ad valorem. Saltpetre, sulphur, and brimstone may not he imported by British subjects.

CUSTOMS TARIFF-JAPAN.

1 Doo of Du = 18. +4n., 5 bu	s = 151.
Alum, per 100 catties 15c.	Paint and paint oils, per
Betel nut ,, 45c.	100 catties 1b. 50c.
Cloves and mother cloves.	Quicksilver, per 100 cat-
per 100 catties 1 bu.	ties 6b.
Cochineal, per 100 cattics 21 bus.	Quinine, per catty 1b. 50c.
Cutch 75c.	Rhubarb, per 100 catties 1b.
Gambier 45c.	Sandal wood " 1b. 25c.
Gamboge 8 bas. 75c.	Sapan wood ,, 40c.
Gum Benjamin and oil of	Soap, bar 50c.
ditto, per 100 catties 2 bus. 40c.	Sticklac 1b. 75c.
Gum, dragon's blood,	Vermilion ,, 9b.
myrrh, olibanum, per	Saltpetre is free.
100 cattles 1b. 80c.	

Drugs and medicines such as ginseng, &c., dyes, European earthenware, gums and spices not named in the tariff, perfumery, scented soap, and scientific instruments pay δ per cent, ad valorem on original value. Optim is prohibited.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

There are no duties on imports or exports. For Australasian tariffs see last number, page 154. Other tariffs will follow.

NATIVE MEDICINAL PLANTS OF NEW ZEALAND.

COMMUNICATED BY MR. GRAVES AICKIN, AUCKLAND.

THE following indigenous plants possess medicinal pro-L perties, some of which have been ascertained by frequent use and beneficial effects amongst settlers in isolated districts, others by the traditions of the Maoris and their medicine men :-

NATIVE NAME

Hara Keke .. (Phormium tenax) .- The native flax, of great value as a fibre plant; the root is anthelmintic and cathartic; the gum, which is clear and tenacious, is used in diarrhoea, and as a dressing to wounds and abrasions.

Horovito .. (Drimys axillaris) .- The bark is a pungent aromatic, the stimulating touic properties of which are little inferior to Winter's bark.

Karaka (Corynocarpus lævigata).-A beautiful evergreen tree, yielding edible fruit, the kernels of which contain an alkaloid isolated as "Karakine"; this is very poisonous, and induces a kind of palsy, occasionally

leaving paralysis of a limb. Kareao (Rhiragonum parrifolium).-The "Supple Jack"; it is closely allied to sarsaparilla, and repute makes it quite equal to the Smilax family in anti-scorbutic and

alterative properties.

Kawa Kawa .. (Piper excelsum).-Closely resembles the Kava Kava (Piper methysticum) of Fiji; it is a warm aromatic pepper, with stimulating diuretic properties similar to Piper cubeba. This plant should receive analytical investigation.

(Dysoxylum spectabile) .- The leaves and bark are used as Kohe Kohe a bitter stomachic and tonic. Further investigation is needed.

.. (Veronica salicifelia) .- This variety, of a numerous Koromiko

indigenous family, is most valued for its undoubted astriugent properties; it has been largely used, with beneficial effect, in dysent-ry and diarrhoea

Sohutu Kawa .. (Metrosideros tomentosa). - The "Christmas Tree," so called from the brilliant display of scarlet flowers at Christmas : eason; the bark is rich in taunin, and is valuable in dysentery.

Tanekaha

.. (Phyllocladus trichomanoides) .- The "Celery Pine," growing to 60 feet in height; the bark yields a large percentage of tannin, and is consequently much used in New Zealand tanneries; it is second only to the celebrated "Divi Divi" in the yield of tannic acid; in dysentery this astringent has also proved itself of much value; a red dye is obtained by the natives from the bark.

The above are a few of the best known of our native medicines; that more do not find a place in the literature of pharmacy and analytical chemistry is due to the fact that the patient searcher in science has not yet given time or taken sufficient interest in the flora of our colony. Our forest lands contain immense wealth, as viewed from the economic standpoint. Timber for general utility, unequalled in the Southern Hemisphere; barks, rich in tannin;

also innumerable plants containing valuable medicinal properties, which as yet are but little understood, and await only the investigating mind of some colonial "Hanbury,

The valuable gnm or resin known as "Kawri gum" is an article of export well known in London and New York markets. It is the concrete resin of extinct pines (Dammara australis). This gnm is found buried in the soil, where no trace on the surface is seen of the extinct trees from which it once exuded.

This article will not permit of treating on the fibre plants, oil-yielding plants, dye plants, perfume plants (seented grasses), and edible tubers and fruits; but I leave your readers with the hope that a greater interest will be awakened in this most interesting portion of Her Majesty's dominions.

AUSTRALIAN PHARMACY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA, March 28. THE annual meeting of the Pharmaceutical Society of

Victoria was held on March 14. The attendance was not as large as usual, which may be accounted for, as one of the speakers observed, by no one having anything to grumble at. The President of the Society (Mr. William Bowen) occupied the chair, and, after the usual formalities had been gone through, delivered a short address, in which he referred to the position and future prospects of the Society. He said: "I well remember the time when this Society was initiated. Like the colony itself, it was in an embryo state; the seed was sown, germinated, and for a time appeared to flourish. but owing to periodical droughts, for which this country is remarkable, its career has been a chequered one. But 'sweet are the uses of adversity,' for notwithstanding the hardships and difficulties it has had to contend with, it has now arrived at maturity as a hardy plant-an acclimatised one, it is true—for it is a singular circumstance that this fair colony of Victoria, and I think I may say Australia at large, surrounded as it is by all the blessings of civilisation, does not produce a single fruit or food of any kind in an indigenous state adapted for the sustenance of a European population. Therefore, notwithstanding the circumstance that this Society has now arrived at maturity in a sound and healthy condition, we must not forget that its future prosperity will depend upon the kindly care and nourishment which the members, as its future custodians and guardians, may afford. The report now read has informed you of the efforts made by the Council in securing a habitaof Pharmacy, which has already been formed, will soon possess the advantages of a properly fitted laboratory, a lecture hall, library, museum, and class-rooms; and I trust the increased number of students which may reasonably be expected, surrounded as they will be by all the advantages which such an institution is cess in their studies, realise the highest and brightest anticipations of its promoters. There, likewise, I trust the members of this Society will be found assembled together animated by a generous spirit of emulation, reading original papers, discussing, and by demonstration and experiment proving that they are no mere trading body, but that they are true disciples and earnest students in the paths of science. An effort is now being made by your Council to promote a Conference of the various pharmaceutical societies and pharmacy boards of the Australian Colonies, New Zealand, and Tasmania, with the object of realising uniformity in the educational curriculum among them with that of Great Britain, and thus to secure an interchange of certificates. This step I deem a matter of importance, not only to the members of the Society, but to the public at large, as I consider it to be the duty of every colonist to do all in his power to unite together under one federal bond of union the several colonies of the British Empire. You have likewise been informed of the steps taken by the Council in their efforts to relieve the trade from the vexatious operations of the Victorian tariff, especially with regard to opium and the patent medicine duties, and from the courtesy with which the members of your deputation were received, I trust those efforts have not

been made in vain. Before closing my remarks, I desire to draw the attention of the members of the Society to the arduous labour and the intelligent interest which our worthy honorary secretary, Mr. Shillinglaw, has brought to bear in the conduct of the business and progress thereof, without fee or reward. I do not think that the members generally realise the amount of labour which he has so generously undertaken, and I have no hesitation in declaring that the time has arrived when such services must be recognised. I must now conclude, wishing success with all my heart to

the Pharmaceutical Society of Victoria," At the conclusion of the President's address the gold medal of the Society was presented to Mr. Charles Edward Towl, of Ballarat, as the student who passed the best ex-

amination in all subjects during the year 1882.

AUSTRALASIAN PHARMACEUTICAL CONFERENCE.

Mr. Bowen, in detailing what had led to the proposition, said that the main object of the Conference would be to secure a uniform curriculum throughout Australia. He presumed it might be considered that the Society approved of the proposal

to hold a Conference.

Mr. Blackett, in referring to the subject, said that it was suggested that it should be held in Sydney, which was the most central place. The efforts to overcome the vis inertiae prevailing in South Australia in connection with pharmaceutical matters had so far not been successful. It was desirable that pharmaceutical legislation should be studied, and that the various colonies should adopt a uniform system, particularly with regard to education. In Victoria they had endeavoured to adopt the same curriculum as that of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain. No doubt when the Society moved into the new building, and secured improved appliances, it would attain as high a standard as the parent society of Great Britain. If they did that the other colonies would probably follow suit, and then there could be an intercolonial recognition of certificates, which would greatly facilitate the work of the various pharmacy boards. On one point Victoria was in advance of England in this connection. There was the same Preliminary examination here as in England, but pharmaceutical legislation here provided that all students should pass that Preliminary examination before they could be apprenticed. Consequently, in this colony youths had, before entering this important profession, to be educated up to a sufficient point. The other colonies had not gone so far as that yet.

Mr. H. Brind also spoke in support of the Conference, which he considered would be of immense benefit to phar-

macists in all the colonies.

It was decided, on the motion of Mr. Blackett, that the

question of amending the rules and the registration of the Society should be left in the hands of the Council.

Mr. Blackett also proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring

President for the very able manner in which he had fulfilled the duties of President. The interest taken by him in all matters relating to the Society was shown by his having been absent from but one meeting during the past year. The motion was seconded and supported by Mr. A. T.

Best, and carried unanimously, Mr. Bowen returning thanks. A cordial vote of thanks was also passed to the Honorary

Secretary, Mr. Shillinglaw.

The second session of the Melbourne School of Pharmacy has just been brought to a close. The school promises to increase in favour every year. For the session shortly to be commenced there are a number of students already entered, and it is hoped that the school may be shortly removed into the new building.

The following gentlemen have been appointed trustees of the new school building and land:—On behalf of the Pharmacy Board—Messrs. Bosisto, M.P., J.P., Brind, and Holdsworth, J.P.; on behalf of the Pharmaceutical Society— Messrs. William Bowen, J.P., George Lewis, J.P., Henry

Gamble, and Thomas Huntsman.

The proposal to hold a Pharmaceutical Conference appears to meet with general approval. In a letter from Mr. W. T. Pinkey, of Sydney, which was read at the last meeting of the Pharmaceutical Society, he says :-

"I have much pleasure in stating that the proposition of holding an Intercolonial Conference of gentlemen representing the pharmaceutical chemists has the heartiest approval of all of us, feeling very sanguine that great and permanent

good to all concerned must inevitably be the result."
Mr. J. A. Allan, of Wellington, New Zealand, also stated— "There is no doubt but that a confederation of the Australasian colonies respecting pharmacy would benefit all individually."

Mr. Graves Aicken, writing from Auckland, N.Z., under date of March 20, says :-

"I think the idea of having a Conference in Sydney to arrange standard and basis of reciprocity a good one: I trust to see it carried to a successful issue.'

The following letter, signed by all the members of the Pharmacy Board, has been sent to Mr. J. Bosisto, the retiring

President :-

"Melbourne, March 14, 1883. To Joseph Bosisto, Esq., J.P., M.L.A., &c .- On your retirement from the Pharmacy Board of Victoria, over which you have so zealously presided since its inception in 1877, we, your late fellowmembers, desire to express to you our appreciation of your care and watchfulness over the proceedings of the Board, and all that could in any way tend to the advancement of pharmacy or the improvement of the status of pharmacists; and that though, from pressure of legislative and other duties, you are compelled to sever yourself from us, we assure you that we look upon you still as one of ourselves, and at all times shall be glad of any advice or suggestions that you may be good enough to offer, which will be received with respect, as coming from our late President, who may justly be called one of the founders of pharmacy in this colony.

PHARMACY IN NEW ZEALAND.

(FROM OUR NEW ZEALAND CORRESPONDENT.) AUCKLAND, March 27.

THE STATE OF PHARMACY

Is what the market reports would call "dull, with indications of briskness." The different branches of the Pharmaceutical Society are languishing, little interest is taken in such matters, and the whole attention would appear to be absorbed in accumulating the crumbs of the present prosperity that fall freely to the lot of the industrious and energetic in this colony.

The Pharmacy Board is moving in the direction of a muchneeded work-I refer to the legislation immediately necessary in our Pharmacy Act. Without amendment, our present Act is of no practical value. The amendments sought by the chemists of the colony, through the agency of the

Board, are as follows:-

1. Power to make Bye-laws and Regulations. At present the 11th clause renders this impracticable or impossible.

2. Power to prevent unqualified persons "carrying on business" as chemists and druggists, similar to that given in the 1st sub-section of the 25th section of the Victorian Act. The New Zealand Act only deals with persons who "use or exhibit the name of chemist, pharmaceutical chemist," &c., &c.
3. To incorporate the "Sale of Poisons Act" with the

"Pharmacy Act," so that supervision under the Sale of Poisons Act should be exercised by the Pharmacy Board and a small licence fee be charged to persons who may be

considered eligible as "vendors.

The above are the main features in the amended Bill to come before Parliament next session; minor amendments will be dropped in order to secure these more vital improvements. Should we succeed in obtaining a more complete Act, as proposed, it will then be only a close copy of the Pharmacy Act under which our more fortunate brethren in Victoria are contented, and make progress.

THE AUSTRALASIAN PHARMACEUTICAL CONFERENCE.

Referring to Victoria, in pharmaceutical matters the most forward and energetic of the Australasian Colonies, a circular has been sent from their obliging secretary (Mr. Shillinglaw) to the Pharmacy Boards of the various colonies, suggesting a Conference at Sydney of delegates, to confer upon the important subject of reciprocal diplomas, that is, the basis upon which they, collectively and severally, should be recognised. The standard of qualification and matter of recognition has been already a vexed question between Victoria and New Zealand. It is a sound practical suggestion, and should be carried ioto effect, with the idea of placing pharmacy in the Australian Colonies upon a uniform and useful basis, as regards matters of higher education, apprenticeship, and beneficial legislation.

THE WHOLESALE TRADE.

The balance-sheet of the New Zealand Drug Company will be very instructive to the trade in England. This company has virtually a monopoly of the cream of the trade in New Zealand, and has been most successfully managed, as the returns of the past three years would show. The present paid-up capital in shares represents 80,2391, but for that the shareholders possess stock which, in February, 1881, was valued at 76,420*l.*, and is now worth (March, 1883) 92,825*l* In February, 1881, their warehouse and factory property only represented 15,883l.; by the present balance sheet it is shown to have increased to 26,788l. The dividend declared this year is 10 per cent., which is the same as in previous years, and the sum of 7,220*l*. is carried forward. The net profits for 1882 were 9,4121. The proportion of bad debts is as follows:-In 1880, 2,931L; 1881, 821L; 1882, 1,292L

These figures speak for themselves. The character of the drug business in this young colony, with half-a-million Europeans, is by no means unbealthy, and it redounds to the credit of the Drug Company that the large figures above quoted bave resulted from the energetic enterprise of its founders, Messrs. Kemptborne & Prosser, who launched the business with comparatively moderate capital. Tighter times for the company must be expected, as well-known English houses now find it worth their while to send travellers the round trip of the colonies-Burgoynes, Langton, Maws, Lynch, Gosnell, and a few others seek the trade of an Australasian constituency. Mess. Elliott Brothers, of Sydney, are having a "cut-in" for a share of the New Zealand trade. They have the advantage of a free port (Sydney), and they offer inducements in price that the company do not care to drop to. Consequently, many Christchurch and Auckland druggists are buying in the cheaper market. Such is the wholesale trade as it at present exists. What effect the rapid increase of trade consequent upon the assured prosperity of this country may bave upon the wholesale trade, it is difficult to predict. One thing may be assumed without difficulty-that is, increased competition, and an equalising and reduction of prices to the retail druggist, as the outcome.

JAPAN IMPORTS OF DRUGS.

IT is well known that all drugs imported into Japan are subject to a rigid examination before they are permitted to go into trade. The head of the official laboratory is M. Gaerts, a Dutchman, and his reports are occasionally published in a Dutch publication called the Pharm. Wehblad. The latest which appeared gives details of the laboratory work for the year from July 1, 1880, to July 1, 1881. During the year 2,341 samples were submitted to examination, representing a total of 258,312 bottles or packets. This was a great increase over the previous year, when the samples numbered 1,683, and represented 182,127 bottles or packets. Of the samples submitted, 1,768 (representing 213,270) passed, 82 (representing 5,337) were withdrawn without examination, and 491 (representing 39,846) were forbidden. The following were the most important adulterations observed in the condemned drugs :-

Acid enzoic, 3 samples, not prepared from benzoic. Balsam copaiba, 2 samples, mixed with fatty oils.

Balsam Peru, 5 samples, adulterated with one-third to onehalf its weight with castor oil. Creasote, 4 samples, three of which were carbolic acid

simply, and one was an aqueous solution thereof. Cirrate of iron and quinine, 2 samples, contained mixed

alkaloids instead of pure quinine. Hydrarg. icd. flav., 1 sample, contained carbonate of lime to the extent of one-third of its weight.

Hydr. 10d. rubr., 1 sample, consisted simply of cinnabar.

Kamala, 4 samples, contained from 30 to 39 per cent, of Magnesia citras, 1 sample, consisted of magnes. tartras.

Ol. amygdal., 3 samples, adultered with other oils. Ol. bacc. juniper, 2 samples, adulterated with oil of

inniner wood Olea lavandnlæ, myristicæ vol. and rosmarini, of each

1 sample, adulterated with turpentine. Quinidine sulph., 3 samples, consisted chiefly of sulphate

of cinchonidin. Quiniæ murias, I sample, consisted chiefly of muriate of

cinchonidin. Quiniæ sulphas, 2 samples, were mixtures of alkaloids of

less value. Quinize tannas, I sample, was a tannate of other cinchona-

alkaloids. Quiniæ valerianus, 1 sample, consisted almost entirely of

APPRENTICESHIP.

THE number of persons who are or have been, or may at some future time be, parties to apprenticeship indentures, either as masters, as apprentices, or as parents or guardians, is so very great that we have thought that a brief and simple explanation of the rights and obligations involved may be both interesting and useful.

The several parties to the contract of apprenticesbip may be dealt with in the order in which their names appear in the indenture:—(1.) The apprentice. (2) The parent or guardian. (3.) The master. And a few general remarks

may then be added.

valerianate of cinchonidin.

THE APPRENTICE .- No person can be bound without his own consent, whether he be a minor or of full age; and, in the case of a minor, the consent of his parent or guardian is also necessary. A minor can only be bound to serve until he attains the age of twenty-one years; for any contract made by an infant may be confirmed or repudiated on his reaching full age; but the repudiation must be made within a reasonable time. Service for a considerable time after completion of his twenty-first year would amount to a confirmation of the contract, and the apprentice would afterwards be obliged to serve the remainder of his term. A person who is over twenty-one years of age may bird himself for any number of years without the consent of his parent. Formerly it was usual for apprentices to be bound for seven. years; but the old law requiring this as a condition precedent to the exercising of certain trades has been repealed, and it is now a common practice, when the master is not a freeman of any city or borough, to bind boys for five, four, or even three years; while it is not unusual for female apprentices to serve still shorter terms. The apprentice has a right to be taught his master's trade, and to have sufficient opportunity of becoming expert in it by means of practical experience. He is also entitled to be paid the stipulated wages regularly, notwithstanding occasional stackness of business or temporary illness, unless such illness should have been caused by his own misconduct. On the other hand, he must obey all his master's lawful commands, and must in every way serve faitbfully and protect his master's interests to the utmost of his power. The apprentice should also have reasonable opportunities for study, &c., if requisite for his business.

THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN .- The consent of the parentor guardian is evidenced by his executing the indenture; but there is another reason for his concurrence therein. He is required to enter into covenants with the master for faithful service by the apprentice, and for other purposes, such as that he will supply the apprentice during the term with wearing apparel and other necessaries; and when only part of the premium is paid on the execution of the indenture, he must also covenant for payment of the balance. He is the proper person to sue on behalf of the apprentice in case of any breach of covenant by the master.

THE MASTER.-The covenants entered into with the master (inter alia) for faitbful service by the apprentice entitle him to bring an action for damages against the covenantor in case of the breach of any of those covenants.

The master always covenants to teach his trade to the apprentice; sometimes to provide him with good and sufficient food and suitable lodgings during the term; and sometimes to pay him wages on an agreed scale, usually beginning at a very low figure and increasing each year.

Any breach of covenant on his part would expose him to an action.

When no premium is paid, or the premium does not exceed 251, and the apprentice is bound to learn the business of a workman, that is to say, when the employment consists of manual labour, a more summary remedy is provided in case of misconduct by either the master or the apprentice by summons to attend before the magistrates in petty sessions, who have power to inflict such penalty as they may think necessary, not exceeding 201. in the case of a master; to commit an apprentice to prison on his refusal to obey their order; or to cancel the indenture, and, if it appears just, to order the whole or any part of the premium to be repaid. These summary powers formerly extended to all apprentices, but are now limited as stated above.

An apprenticeship may be determined in several ways.

(1.) By effluxion of time, when the whole term has been served. (2.) By the apprentice attaining the age of twentyone years and refusing to serve any longer. (3.) By mutual arrangement. (4.) By order of justices. (5) By the death of either master or apprentice; but if the apprenticeship is to a firm, the death of one or more members of that firm does not dissolve it, the surviving partners or partner being entitled to the benefit of the contract. (6.) On the bankrup cy of the master, either the bankrupt or the apprentice may give notice in writing to the trustee that the apprenticeship is to cease; or the trustee may be required by the apprentice or his parent or guardian to transfer the indenture to some other master. When the apprenticeship is put an end to, part of the premium may be returned by the trustee, subject to an appeal to the Court.

With the exception of parish apprentices and those bound at the sole charge of any charity, the indenture is subject to 2s, 6d, stamp when no premium is paid; and when a premium is paid the stamp is 5s, for every 5l, or fractional part

thereof. An apprenticeship cannot be created by verbal agreement. The proper way in which to bind an apprentice is by indenture, that is to say, a deed signed, sealed, and delivered by the several parties thereto. Sometimes an agreement not under seal is substituted, but this is seldom desirable, and is only admissible when a person of mature age enters into an agreement to learn a trade without caring to acquire the status of an apprentice for any collateral object. The forms issued by the Inland Revenue Office, stamped, and with blanks for names and descriptions of the parties, and any other particulars which may be necessary, can generally be filled up by the parties themselves without the assistance of a solicitor; though, if any doubt or difficulty be found, a solicitor ought to be instructed. It is better to pay a small fee for professional assistance than to have an imperfect instrument. If it be decided to do without a solicitor, then, after the blanks have been carefully filled up, with the assistance of an old indenture, if at hand, a small wax or paper seal should be affixed at the foot of the indenture, on the right-hand side, for each of the parties. The apprentice will sign opposite the top seal, place his finger thereon, and say: "This is my seal, I deliver this as my act and deed." The parent or guardian will in like manner adopt the second seal, and the master the third. Some disinterested person must be present as a wi'ness, and must sign his name under the attestation clause, and add his address and occupation. An agreement not under seal has some legal disadvantages, and it has not even the advantage of escaping from the payment of stamp duty, for by the Stamp Act now in force, the duty is payable on every instrument of apprenticeship, which is defined as comprising every writing relating to the service or tuition of any apprentice, clerk, or servant placed with any master to learn any profession, trade, or employment, except articles of clerkship specially charged with duty. When the master is a freeman, and the apprentice wishes to acquire freedom of the same city or borough the apprenticeship must be by indenture enrolled at the town clerk's office, and generally for the full term of seven years. The cost of the indenture, including stame, is generally divided, the father paying half

and the master the other half; but the town clerk's fee on enrolment is paid by the father or guardian on behalf of the

ODOURS, PERFUMES, AND FLAVOURS, NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL; THEIR SOURCES AND MANU-FACTURE.

BY ALFRED HENRY MASON, F.C.S.

Read at the Evening Meeting of the Liverpool Chemists' Association, April 12, 1883.

PROBABLY there is no one present who has not been asked the enigma. What smalls received the enigma, What smells most in a druggist's shop? and is aware of the reply-Your nose. Whether this is complimentary or no, certain it is that no sense requires more tuition in our ordinary vocation than the sense of smell. To the untutored nose most odours are alike, but when tutored; either for pleasure or profit, no nerve is more sensitive than the olfactory, nor is the cultivation of this sense by any means confined to our calling. Medical men, wine merchants, spice merchants, perfumers, tea and coffee dealers, and hop merchants have all to undergo a regular educational course in the sense of smell.

Be our intuition imperfect or no, we are more or less aware that when the olfactory nerve has absorbed an odour the impression is rapidly and vividly transmitted to the brain, producing an agreeable or disagreeable effect, as the case may be, and acquiring somewhat of a mental character -just as the retina receives an impresion from a painting, or

the ear from a musical sound.

The physiology of the olfactory nerve is a subject of great interest, but it would hardly be appropriate to treat upon it this evening. I shall do so in a paper I have prepared for the Literary and Philosophical Society on Monday next.

I will here observe that odour and perfume are not synonymous. Shakespeare thus defines the distinction in two of his plays. In the "Taming of the Shrew," Gremio directs that the papers he sends to Bianca should be well perfumed, for "she is sweeter than perfume itself"; and Constance, in "King John," calls death "an odoriferous stench."

The word "odour," I take it, designates any agreeable or disagreeable emanation, whilst "perfume" conveys the idea of an agreeable odour, and the substance which furnishes it.

The influence of the sense of smell on the frame is very remarkable and varied; one odour will instantly produce loathing, nausea, and vomiting with some persons, whilst others are not affected by it; again, perfumes to some most agreeable are to others intolerable, and different persons describe differently the sensations they severally receive from the same odorous substance.

When odoriferous molecules are brought in contact with the olfactory membrane, the sense of smell is brought into action, and the brain perceives the odour. The olfactory apparatus is, therefore, indispensable to the impression.

The origin of perfumes, like that of all arts, is shrouded in mystery. It is said that it was in the land of Yemen (or Arabia) that perfumes were first discovered. A party of wandering shepherds happened to light a fire on a heap of stones with some of the aromatic woods so common in that country, and, delighted with the fragrant fumes which they produced, and seeing them rise in blue wreaths towards heaven, they instinctively associated a religious idea with it: they fancied their vows would be conveyed in that manner to the deity above; and thus originated the first perfume altar. The word "perfume"-per, through ; fumum, smoke-clearly indicates this.

The bdellium mentioned by Moses in Genesis was a perfumed gum, and it is of special interest to us to notice that in the thirtieth chapter of Exodus we find instructions were given to take certain odorous substances, make a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary; and this was to be done with great care and accuracy, and there were penalties attached, by which anyone who imitated the process and compound was to be cut off from his people. There were no patent laws in those days; but what a happy state of things it would be for the proprietors if such

penalties existed for imitators of specialties now!

It was in the days of Queen Elizabeth that perfumes came to be used freely in this country, although supplies were then obtained chiefly from foreign countries. It has, however, been reserved for our generation to perfect the art of perfumery. For the last fifty years England has heen distinguished for its manufacture of these articles, and with the aid of chemistry we are now ahle to fix the most fugitive odours, and offer them under a multitude of forms, the sweetness of which testifies the saluhrity of their

Odours have heen classified in different ways by different Linnæus divided them into seven classes:authors. Aromatic, fragrant, ambrosial, alliaceous, foetid, repulsive, nauseous. Of these only the first three are perfumes. But more recent authorities consider his classification was far from correct, for he placed very dissimilar flowers and leaves together. Fourcroy divided them into five groups, hut Virey, finding these to be insufficient, established twenty orders. De Haller divided them into three, but all these were more classical than theoretical, and none classified odours by their resemblance to each other. Mr. Rimmel's classification of perfumes, i.e., only pleasant natural odours, seems now to be accepted by the modern authors on perfumery. He adopts the principle that as there are primary colours from which all secondary shades are composed, there are also primary odours with perfect types, and that all other aromas are connected more or less with them. There are odours, such as that of wintergreen, which it would he difficult to introduce into this classification, and compound perfumes are produced by blending several classes together.
The proposal to divide all odours into two classes, agree-

The proposal to divide all odours into two classes, agreeable and disagreeable, will appear obviously defective and only relative, for an odour agreeable to one person is disagreeable to another, and it would only classify the quality,

and give no idea as to their individuality.

Odours impregnate all hodies in different degrees. Gloves retain for a long time the perfume of amhergris. Paper and cotton that of musk. Oils and greases retain halsamic and volatile principles. Water, and especially alcohol, dissolve perfectly the principles of flowers. The manufacture of perfumery in its various forms is founded on this knowledge, and thus the perfume of flowers—so light, so fugitive—with which we are charmed whilst summer lasts, and which otherwise would he scattered by the winds, is rendered stable by art and industry, to minister to the wants of a refined mind, and console us for the loss of flowers when nature's duty has heen performed.

The roses soon withered that hung o'er the wave,
But some blossoms were gathered while freshly they shone,
And a dew was distilled from the flowers which gave
All the fragrance of summer when summer was gone.

The three kingdoms of nature furnish materials which yield natural odours, and which are used in the manufacture of perfumes, and they are obtained from all parts of the globe; hut the vegetable excels in number and variety. These materials may be divided into ten series—Animal, Floral, Herbal, Cittine, Spiery, Ligneous, Radical, Seminal, Balmy, and Fruity. In addition to these, some are produced artificially, and their sources are subject to further subdivision.

The Animal series comprises amhergris, castor, civet, and

Ambergris is the morbid product of the large-headed whale (Pyseter microcephalus), which is picked up on the seashore or floating on the sea. It is rarely used alone, but by mixing it with other perfumes its odour is developed. The essence of amher of perfumers is an alcoholic tineture of ambergris, to which oils of roses, cloves, lavender, &c., are added.

Castor is a substance often secreted in a pocket that the heaver (Castor pl(r)) carries under the tail; it is imported from Canada and the territories of the Hudson's Bay Company. It is, however, little used. Perfumes containing it last well on the handkerchief, but few persons consider it nice.

Civet is an unctuous product extracted from a cavity, more or less deep, placed helow the anus of the civet cat (Viverra civetta), and opening by the outside. The animal is found in Asia and Africa, principally in Abyssinia, Guinea, and

Congo. Civet enters into the fabrication of several compound perfumes, among them the powder of chypre. Lavender, thyme, and scented waters acquire much superiority when prepared with a small quantity of civet.

Musk is an animal secretion of brown colour found in the excretory follicles about the navel of a male ruminant called musk-deer, found in China, Tonquin, Thihet, and Tartary. Musk is one of the strongest of odoriferous substances; it is very lasting, its odour adheres to all substances around it. It is reported that an exact calculation has shown that I grain of musk has, in a radius of 90 feet, disengaged in one day 57,839,616 particles without any diminution in its weight. This same grain of musk, ahandoned to itself for six months in a large garret, communicated its odour to all the objects in the room, and, heing weighed in an accurate scale, it had experienced no loss.

It is said that the effect of the odour of musk on living animals is so violent that the hunters will bleed at the nose if they neglect certain precautions when depriving the animal of his bag. It is, perhaps, fortunate that the natives adulterate the substance to such an extent that there is no fear of such an accident happening to those amongst us who have to use it. The odour of musk is not by any means confined to this animal; many others, and some insects, emit it, and a multitude of plants possess it in different

degrees.

Musk is rarely ever used alone. Its penetrating and tenacious odour may affect the nerves, causing some persons to faint, &c., but, being mixed in very small quantities with other perfumes, such as ambergris, lavender, &c., it loses its offensive smell and hecomes most agreeable to the olfactories.

The sweetest flowers, the perfumes, and generally all aromatic substances are produced in Eastern countries, but the chief source from which we derive perfumes is Turkey, the South of France, Italy, Spain, and the Mediterranean coast of Africa. The flower farms at Grasse and Nimes are most luxuriant, and these are the chief places of production, for plants not grown there, or their products, are imported by these manufacturers. Algeria has latterly developed most important industries in this art. Our own country only furnishes one natural perfume in perfection. At Mitcham in Surrey, and Hitchin in Hertfordshire, lavender is produced very largely, or, I should say, was produced very largely. Fine old English lavender water is a very favourite perfume—

In each bright drop there is a spell,
'Tis from the soil we love so well.
From English gardens mown.—Piesse.

Our climate appears to be better adapted for the perfect development of lavender, our humid atmosphere tones down or softens the natural rankness of the odour of the essential oil. Mitcham plants have even been transplanted to French soil without yielding an oil having a higher relative value of 10s, per lb., against 200s. per lb. for that grown in England.

In the Floral series we find roses, orange-flowers, violets, tuberose, Jasmine, jonquil, narcissus, cassia (Acacica fameti ana), and ilhang-ihlang. In the Herbal series we find lavender, spike, peppermint, rosemary, thyme, marjoram, geranium, patchouli, and wintergreen. In the Citrine series, bergamotte, orange, lemon, cedrat, and limette.

Respecting these substances I beg to refer you to a valuable paper by Mr. W. A. Wrenn, read before the London Chemists' Assistants' Association, and published in THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST, February 15, 1883, page 65.

In the Spice series we find cassia cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, mace, and pimento. In the Ligneous series, sandalwood, rosewood, rhodium, cedar-wood, sassafras. In the Radical, or Root, series, orris-root and vitivet, or kuskus. In the Seminal series, aniseed, dill, fennel, and caraway. In the Balmy, henzoin, halsam of Peru and tolu, myrrh, styrax, and camphor.

In the foregoing it may be the entire plant which serves the purpose of the perfumer, or it may he the roots only, or the root-stocks, the hark (as in cinnamon), or the wood (as in santal), or the leaves (as in patchoull), or the various parts of the plant. The different parts of the same plants yield different perfumes—for instance, the orange-flowers. From orange-flowers we obtain oil of neroli; from the leaves of the same plant, oil petitgrain. We also produce orange-flowers award or the same plant, oil petitgrain. We also produce orange-flowers pomade of orange-lowers, and extracts therefrom.

The various products from these substances take the forms of essential oils, ottos, alcoholic tinctures, pomades,

essences, and waters.

The odours of the vegetable kingdom reside in a principle or constituent known as "essential oil," but in more correct nomenclature, "otto." Every plant or odorous flower contains a greater or less amount of this principle -- the separa-tion of which from its parent substance is the initial movement in most of the perfumers' operations. essential oils form a group the properties and chemical action of which are very variable. The processes employed to extract these principles from plants, &c., are: (1) Distillation with water (salt is sometimes added); (2) hy im-

pregnation with fatty hodies; (3) hy pressure.

The essential oils, so called, are divided into light oils and heavy oils. As a type of the light oil we have oil of neroli. Four pounds of fresh orange-flowers are put into a bag of metallic cloth and placed in a cucurbit containing 12 lbs. of water; the head and refrigerator are adapted, and heat applied until no more water and oil pass over; the oil is drawn off by a Florentine receiver. As a type of the heavy essential oil we have oil of cloves. Five pounds of cloves, 10 lhs. of water, and 1 lh. of salt are macerated for forty-eight hours, and distilled until the product is no longer milky; the essential oil is allowed to deposit, the water drawn off, and poured hack into the alembic and distilled a second time. This operation is repeated two or three times to extract all the oil. Ten days after the oil is filtered to clarify and deprive it of all foreign matters.

Essential oil of almond is distilled by reaction.

There are, however, only two flowers to which the process of distillation is applicable-rose and orange-the aroma of others being too delicate to withstand the great heat.

Prohably to the perfumer the oil of roses—or otto or attar is one of the most important, and he compels the lovely flower to yield its aroma to him in every shape. Besides the otto, distilled water, perfumed oil and pomade, its withered leaves are rendered available to form a basis of sachet-powder, for they retain their odour for a considerable time. The otto of roses of commerce is derived from the Rosa centifolia provincialis. Extensive farms exist at Broussa, at Ustak, at Kesanlik (Turkey in Asia); also at Ghazepore, in India, and at Grasse, in France. In a good season the rose-farms of the Balkans yield 75,000 oz., but in bad seasons only 20,000 oz. to 30,000 oz. It requires at least 16,000 flowers to yield 1 oz. of otto.

The otto from different districts slightly varies in odour. Some places furnish an otto which solidifies more readily than others, and therefore this is not a sure guide of purity, though many so consider it. The French otto is green, and they say far more consistent than the Oriental; it is richer in stearoptyn than the Turkish; 11 oz. will crystallise in 1 gallon of spirit at the same temperature that is required for 3 oz. of the hest Turkish otto; 10,000 kilos. of French roses produce nearly 1 kilo of essential oil.

The process of expression is confined to essences obtained from the rinds of fruits of the citron series. It is performed in different ways. On the coast of Genoa they rub the fruit against a grated funnel; in Sicily they press the rind in cloth hags; and in Calabria, where the largest quantity is manufactured, they roll the fruit hetween two howls, one placed inside the other, the concave part of the lower and the convex part of the upper heing armed with sharp spikes. These bowls revolve in a contrary direction, causing the small vesicles on the surface of the fruit to burst and give up the essence contained in them, which is afterwards collected with a sponge. These rinds are sometimes distilled; but the former process, which is called by the French au zest, gives a much purer essence.

There are flowers with fugitive odours, such as jonquil, white jasmine, tuberose, and mignonette, the perfume of which is very difficult to fix. Ordinary distillation gives a weak product, and that with alcohol is not more satisfactory. To secure their odours a process of absorption called the cold enfleurage process is adopted. Tablets of glass, in wooden frames, are spread over with fat, and the flowers strewn upon them heads downwards. These frames are piled up, so as to form columns of ahout the height of the workmen. The flowers are daily renewed until the fat has absorbed a sufficient degree of perfume.

For such flowers as yellow jasmin, orange-flowers, cassie,

reseda, violets, hyacinth, narcissus (daffodils), a process of digestion is employed, usually termed maceration. flowers are picked and macerated in melted fat—a mixture of two-thirds purified lard and one-third refined tallow. The mass is pressed out after a reasonable time, and the infusions renewed until the fat is sufficiently saturated with the odorous principle to represent, according to purpose, a number six, twenty-four, or thirty-six pomade.

Scented oils are prepared by putting the flowers on thick cotton sheets, previously soaked in the finest olive oil. From the pomades referred to what we know as French

essences are prepared by macerating them in alcohol for about 15 days. The alcohol seizes the odoriferous molecules, and afterwards, heing filtered, is used as perfume for the handkerchief.

The eight odours enumerated in these processes are used as the basis of all other pomades and extracts, the addition of various ingredients, such as Tonquin heans, Siam henzion, vanilla, musk, and essential oils being made to form the other odours.

The foregoing processes are those generally adopted by the perfumer for extracting odours, hut, like every other industry, attempts are being made towards the more economical and scientific production of these substances.

A mode of enfleurage has been devised by Mr. D. Séména. of Nice, which has been found to offer some advantages. Instead of laying the flowers upon the grease, he spreads them on a fine net mounted on a separate frame. This net is introduced het ween two glass frames, covered on hoth sides with grease. The whole series of frames is enclosed in an air-tight recess, and all that is required is to draw out the nets every morning and fill them with fresh flowers, which give their aroma to the two surfaces with which they are in contact. This system saves the waste and lahour resulting from having to pick the old flowers from the surface of the grease, and produces also a finer fragrance.

A very curious pneumatic apparatus has been invented by M. Puer, of Paris. In consists in a series of perforated plates, supporting flowers placed alternately with sheets of glass overlaid with grease in a chamber through which a current of air is made to pass several times until all the scent

of the flowers becomes fixed into the grease.

Chemistry has not been behindhand in its attempts to extract the natural odours of flowers. M. Millon, a French chemist, patented a process for extracting the aroma of flowers by placing them in a percolating apparatus and pouring over them ether or bisulphide of carbon, which is drawn off a few minutes after, and carries with it all the fragrant molecules. It is afterwards distilled to dryness, and the result obtained is a solid waxy mass, possessing the scent of the flower in its purest and most concentrated form. This process, although very ingenious, has not received any practical application as yet, owing to the expense attending it, some of these concrete essences costing as much as 50l. an oz. It has, however, served to prove the total imponderability of fragrant molecules; for, although this substance, from its high state of concentration, appears at first sight to be the solidified principle of scent, if it he treated several times with alcohol it gradually loses all its perfume, and yet the residue is not found to have lost one atom of its weight.

M. Massignon suggested that chloride of methyl would be a useful material with which to exhaust the flowers of their perfume, but this process presents so many diffi-culties that it has not as yet proved successful; in fact, the old lines seem to he acted upon for practical working.

Distilled Waters. - The chief of these is rose-water. The pale rose, as the richest in perfume, is selected to make the water. The roses are collected early in the morning, in dry weather. The leaves are separated and put into an earthenware jar, and one quart of water for every pound of leaves is poured upon them-some add an ounce of salt-and allow it to macerate until the next day. The flowers are placed upon diaphragm in a metallic cloth. If 6 or 8 lbs. of flowers are used, they are covered with double their weight of water. This done they are heated in the still slowly to 212°. The distillation then takes place. To obtain rose-water of good quality only half of the water poured into the alembic is distilled. The concentrated water is obtained by substituting fresh flowers for those which have already been submitted to distillation, the water of the

first distillation being used instead of ordinary water, a new distillation is made, and the water thus obtained is very

The study of the numerous compounds of organic chemistry, especially the ethers derived from spirit and fusel oil, has produced an industrial result as curious as interesting in view of its various applications. Indeed, while chemical analysis found in the composition of some perfumes, real organic etbers (the odonr of geranium is said to be due to the presence of pelargonic ether), synthesis, on the other hand, realising the production of these same ethers, has taught the chemist to prepare them in such a state of purity that it is easy to confound them by their physical properties with the natural cdours.

Dr. Hoffman and Mr. De la Rue, jurors of the Great Exhibition of 1851, found that some of the most delicate perfumes were made by chemical artifice, and not, as of old, from natural flowers, but we may even get artificial odours, by combination of the natural odours of plants. The delicate heliotrope (whose flower gives a fragrance which is well known to Englishmen, as it is plentiful in this country) is so fugitive that the collection of its fragrant molecules by ordinary means is unprofitable to the perfumer, and it is not obtainable; but all the essence of heliotrope sold and accepted by mankind as the natural odour is a combination of vanilla, rose, orange-flowers, ambergris, and almonds.

You will also he aware that we have artificial coumarin, crategin, heliotropin, and vanillin, all ohtained by chemical decomposition, but not having any practical application as vet : and I note that the latter has been obtained from oil of cloves. The application of the term artificial odours is not a misnomer, when it is shown that identical odours may he obtained artificially, and also as the constituents of other Again, look at the enormous consumption of oil of mirbane, nitro-henzine, an artificial odour used instead of oil of bitter almonds to perfume soap, very different in its chemical composition from the other compounds to which I will now again refer. From the double discovery alluded to has arisen an industry which has acquired considerable importance all over the world. Its object is to manufacture liquids, often complex in their composition, which, when dissolved in a certain quantity of pure alcohol, are known by the name of artificial oils. Compounds may also be prepared which communicate to ordinary alcohol the odour, but not the qualities, of brandy, whisky, &c., and others to which the term "flavour" is more applicable, which are much used in confectionery, possessing the taste of pineapple, strawherry, pear, apple, &c. In text-books we find tabulated forms for the mannfacture of artificial flavours, hut these are not reliable. As a matter of fact, artificial flavours are the results of experiment and practical experience, and their actual composition is naturally kept secret by the manufacturers.

Singularly enough, as you know, these flavours and odours are derived from substances intensely disgusting, but they are quite innocuous in the proportion in which they are used by confectioners, viz., 11 drop to 1 oz.

The introduction of these artificial fruit essences originated

with the discovery of the fact that the peculiar flavour of pineapple-rum was due to butyric ether, which has since heen obtained from the fruit itself. Artificial oil of pineapples is the product of the action of rotten cheese on ougar, after distilling it with alcohol and sulphuric acid.

We can all call to mind the intolerable smell of rotten apples. In the manufacture of valerianic acid, chemists find the same smell, and practical men have discovered by which choice and combination it is possible to imitate the odour of particular fruits to such a nicety that makes it probable that the odour of the fruit is owing to a natural combination, identical to that produced hy art, so much so that we are able to produce from fruits the same combination.

I find, sir, I have undertaken a subject this evening of enormous dimensions. I feel that there are many omissions; but if I have afforded you any interest in the somewhat cursory manner in which I have laid it before you, I am rewarded-perhaps some incentive for our younger members to cultivate the sense of smell, and value in their detection those products of hountiful nature with which we are almost daily in contact. I desire to acknowledge my ohligation to Mr. Rimmel, of London, and Messrs. Lautier fils, of France, for information confirmatory of the facts I have stated.

PRACTICAL HINTS ON THE EXAMINATION OF URINE.

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S pharmacists we are frequently called npon by the medical profession and by their patients to examine urine, in order to aid the former in diagnosing disease. This is one of the numberless opportunities which daily occur of putting into practice that knowledge which we have acquired, and which, we imagined, was solely required by the examiners.

In treating this subject I first call your attention to urine in its normal state.

Normal Urine is a pale yellow finid separated from the body by the kidneys, and containing in solution various compounds, of which the most important are organic nitrogenous hodies produced by the wear and tear of animal tissnes: namely, urea, uric acid, hippuric acid, creatine, and colouring-matter; there are, besides, sodium and potassium chlorides, phosphates and snlphates, ćalcium and magnesium phosphates, ammoning chloride and phosphate, iron and silica.

Urine has a faint acid reaction when fresh, the quantity evacuated heing variable; during the day the average may be taken as 521 fl. oz. The acidity of normal urine is equal to a 2 per cent. solution of oxalic acid, and is estimated with phenol phthalein and solution of canstic soda. The effect of food on the urine is somewhat remarkable, for in carnivorous animals, the urine of which resembles that of man, the urine is clear, with a large quantity of nrea and an acid reaction, while in herhivorous animals we find an alkaline reaction, and a mnddy appearance, together with a considerable amount of carbonates and hippuric acid.

Human urine contains the following constituents in

1.000 parts.

•								Parts
Water								 933.02
Urea								 30.10
Lactate	sand	extra	ctive	matter				 17:14
Uric ac	id							 1.00
Potassi	um a	nd sodi	um s	ulphate	S			 6.87
Sodium	phos	sphate						 2.92
Ammor	ium	phospl	ate					 1.65
Calciun	and	magn	esium	phosph	ates			 1.00
Sodium	chlo	ride						 4.45
Ammor	ium	chlorid	le					 1.50
Silica								 0.03
Mucus						•••		 0.33
					(F	owne's	.)	1,000.00

When urine is allowed to remain exposed for some time, it loses its acid reaction, hecomes turbid from deposition of earthy phosphates, and alkaline from formation of ammonium carbonate and hydrate. This alkalinity is due to fermentation set up in urine by decomposition of epithelial débris, &c.

Urea, the most important constituent in urine, forming nearly one-half the total solids, is derived from two sources, the unassimilated elements of nitrogenous food, and the disintegration of the nitrogenised animal tissues. That the latter is so is proved by keeping all nitrogenous substances from the food, or by abstaining from food for a few days, and nrea will still he found in the urine.

Urea is found in the urine of mammalia, birds, and reptiles, but is most abundant in the nrine of carnivorous animals. In various diseases the quantity of urea is often reduced below the average contained in healthy urine, while in other cases it is above it. An average of 270 grains of urea is secreted hy a healthy man in twenty-four hours. Urea exists already formed in the hlood, and is simply abstracted therefrom by the kidneys.

The process for obtaining urea is to evaporate nrine in a water hath to the thickness of honey, shake up with alcohol, separate the alcoholic solution, and evaporate and purify by repeated solution in alcohol, and crystallisation. It appears as delicate acicular crystals, soluble in an equal weight of cold water, more soluble in hot water, very soluble in alcohol. When heated it melts, and at 160° C. gives off ammonia and leaves behind oyanuric acid. It is decomposed when heated with strong mineral acids, or with caustic potash or soda, carbonic acid and ammonia being formed. It was first prepared artificially by Professor Wohler, who thus commenced the demolition of the supposed barrier

between inorganic and organic chemistry.

Urea is decomposed by hypobromite of sodium, the nitrogen being liberated, and this fact has been taken advantage of in the estimation of urea in urine, resulting in a convenient form of apparatus by Russell and West, and, although not a test often required, I should like to call your attention to the apparatus lent me by Messrs. Cettl & Co., Brook Street, Holborn (which the lecturer explained).

The hypobromite solution is prepared by dissolving 100 grammes of caustic soda in 250 c.c. of water and adding

25 c.c. of bromine, keeping the mixture cool till dissolved. The reaction is represented by the following equation:—

CH.N.O. + 2NAHO + eNaBrO = N₂ + 3H₂O + Na₂CO₃ + 6NABr + NaBrO₃.

Urea forms salts with many acids, two of which, the nitrate and oxalate, are of especial interest. Nitrate of urea is freely soluble in water, but not in water containing nitric acid. It is easily obtained by evaporating urine to about a sixth of its bulk, and adding when cold an equal quantity of strong nitric acid, when the nitrate will crystallise out in single plates, or massed together overlapping one another. Oxalate of urea, formed by adding oxalic acid to urine concentrated to one-eight its bulk, is readily soluble in water, but is precipitated by an excess of oxalic acid.

Uric Acid, the second in importance of the organic hodies found in urine, is present in the urine of all animals and in the excrement of reptiles and insects. Some authorities consider that the food influences the varying proportions of uric add as it does of urea, but this is disputed.

Uric acid, along with urea, is found in the same urine, but urea seems to be able to replace uric acid, as exemplified in the feline tribe, and nric acid to replace urea, as in reptiles and birds, although the relations which they bear to one another are not fully understood

Uric acid is found in the blood in increased quantities in gout and some other diseases, and is often deposited in the former case around the joints as urate of sodium, commonly called chalk-stones.

A reddish-brown sediment is sometimes passed with the urine, which is the most common form of uric acid, and consists of urate of ammonium and sodium, owing its colour to the presence of a pigment called purpurine.

By oxidation uric acid is converted into carbonic acid and

To obtain crystals of uric acid, mix the urine with hydrochloric acid, in the proportion of 1 of acid to 20 of urine, and allow the mixture to stand about fory-eight hours, when crystals will be deposited, which are easily detected by the microscope or by the "unuexide text," a name derived from the colour produced. A little of the uric acid deposit is evaporated to dryness, with a drop or two of nitric acid, and the residue touched with a drop of ammonia and warmed, when a purple colour results, due to the action of ammonia on alloxan and other products of the oxidation of arric acid by nitric acid.

Hippuric Acid exists in human urine, generally combined with sodium, and equal in quantity to uric acid. It is probably in part derived from a vegetable diet, though an appreciable quantity is found in urine from subjects living exclusively on animal diet. It is closely allied to benzoic acid, and when a dose of this substance is taken it passes

from the kidneys as hippuric acid.

The specimen I have prepared was obtained from 1 litre of urine after 20 grains of benzoic acid had been taken, the method adopted being Löwes, viz. treating the urine with sulphate of zinc (3 grammes) and evaporating it with the the resulting precipitate to one-sixth of its volume, filtering and adding hydrochloric acid; the hippuric acid separates in about eight or ten hours, and can be recrystallised from alcohol.

Hippnric acid subjected to the action of boiling nitric acid, evaporated to dryness, and heated in a glass tube, evolves the odour of nitro-benzol, and is thus distinguished from uric acid. Hippuric acid is only likely to be confounded

with benzoic acid, but, on heating, benzoic acid passes off in vapour, while hippuric acid is decomposed.

Creatine and Creatinine, two crystalline bodies only found in urine in small quantities, are supposed to be derived from muscular tissue, and, although nearly related to nrea, are more highly complex bodies.

Creatine is converted into creatinine by boiling with strong acids, and if boiled with solution of baryta is converted into sarcosin and urea, which urea on further boiling is changed into ammonia and carbonic acid. Creatine was discovered by Chevreuil, and was studied by Liebig.

Creatinine forms the strongest organic base in the animal kingdom, and its taste is almost as pungent as ammonia. The colouring matter of urine is composed of various pig-

ments, one of which may be seen on impure uric acid crystals giving the red colour.

The principal among the mineral constituents of the urine is the acid phosphate of sodium, to which the aciditry of urine is due. Phosphates enter largely into the composition of brain and nerve tissue, hence that found in urine may be from metamorphosis of these tissues, but the greater part is derived from the phosphates in the food, which are not absorbed in anything like the proportion in which they are taken into the stomach. The amount excreted is very variable, vegetable food and any undue exercise of the brain largely increasing it. When urine undergoes alkaline fermentation phosphates are deposited in the form of a urinary sediment, consisting chiefly of ammonium and magnesium phosphates. On the addition of ammonia to acid urine the precipitate of phosphates which is at once thrown down will readily prove the presence of phosphates

in combination with calcium and magnesium. Chlorides (which exist almost entirely as obloride of sodium), sulphates, ammoniacal salts, traces of iron in the colouring matter, and silica are substances it is not necessary to mention tests for, as they do not denote any special condition of the hody in health or otherwise.

ALBUMEN is the most important of the abnormal constituents of urine, as it is the most important of the materials required for the maintenance of the body. It exists in two conditions—soluble and insoluble; it is found in the soluble state in the body, and "its solution does not depend solely upon the presence of water, but is in part attributable to the presence of saline matters, and more especially of a free alkali."—Vowel.

Albumen is converted from the soluble into the insoluble state by most acids; it is dissolved on heating with caustic potash, with formation of an alkaline sulphide, and sulphuretted hydrogen is evolved on the addition of an acid, showing the presence of sulphur as one of the constituents of albumen.

The presence of albumen was originally supposed to be proved in a solution if coagulation took place in the clear liquid after boiling, but, as phosphates are precipitated on warming, it is advisable to add a little dilute acid afterwards, which will redissolve the phosphates, but will not affect the albumen.

Concentrated acetic acid and nitric acid will dissolve albumen if assisted by heat; it will not coagulate on heating in an alkaline or a very acid solution, and, if dilute, often requires continued boiling to produce a distinct couplation.

If a little nitric acid be poured into a test-tube and the urine allowed to run down the side of the tube, so as to cover the nitric acid without disturbing it, a distinct ring of albumen will be seen if there is the slightest trace present

A solution containing ferrocyanide of potassium and acetic or citric acid is, if possible, more delicate than the nitric acid, but a strong mineral acid must not be used, as it sets up a decomposition, the products of which are very complicated, among which may be mentioned hydrocyanic acid, Everitt's yellow salt, trea, &c.

Among the many tests for albumen which have been used may be mentioned mercuric nitrate in nitric acid, which gives an intensely red colour when heated with an albuminous fluid, which colour is lasting and not affected by exposure to air.

exposure to air.

Metaphosphoric acid is also a particularly delicate test, and requires no heat, but the chief objection to this acid is that it should he dissolved as wanted, for an aqueous solution of the acid is slowly converted into the ortho-

phosphoric acid, and, moreover, there is the difficulty with which it passes into solution.

GRAPE SUGAR is found in the body normally, and generally in the urine in the faintest trace, but when the presence of sugar is evident to the ordinary tests, it becomes of serious import to the doctor and patient; it usually occurs in a special form of diabetes, hence the name (diabetes mellitus), and in but few other cases. It is the next abnormal constituent in importance to albumen, and is one with which the chemist has more to deal. That the quantity of sugar in urine is largely affected by food I found well shown in a sample of urine I had to test, which gave no indication of sugar with the cupric solution; yet, after the person had been living on oatmeal porridge for about twelve days, the test was immediately reduced, and on discontinuing the diet for a week, the urine would not give a trace of sugar. Urine containing sugar is generally frothy, pale in colour, orne containing sugar is generally from, pair in colour, and of high specific gravity, 1-045 having been known containing 8 per cent. of sugar. The method adopted by physicians of the old school for detecting the presence of sugar was tasting, but chemistry, with its rapid strides, has driven out this primitive method.

Moore's Test was, and is still, used by some medical men; it consists of adding an equal volume of liquor potassæ to an equal volume of urine, and warming, when, if sugar be present, the fluid turns brown, the shade depending on the amount present. It will be found advisable before testing for sugar to remove the albumen in the way above described.

On adding molybdate of ammonium and nitric acid to the urine, and boiling, a blue colour will result if sugar be present.

The Bismuth Method of Professor Löewe consists of subnitrate of bismuth (15 grammes) dissolved in pure glycerine (30 grammes), added to a solution of caustic soda (sp. gr. (5) grammes, acted to a solution of causice some (5) gr. 1-31; 60 to 70 c.c. diluted to 150 or 160 cc. with water). This mixture is heated to 100° C.; if any reduction takes place digest at 100° C; allow the solution to stand, and decant. The test solution is added to the urine, and the mixed solutions boiled for a few seconds; if sugar is present the precipitate is ultimately black. This solution is said to be more staple than the copper solution. (Pravtitioner, 1881.)

If a weak solution of nitrate of silver be poured into diabetic urine to which a drop of ammonia has been added, and the whole boiled for a short time, metallic silver will be deposited in the form of a mirror; other bodies, as tar-

taric acid, &c., reduce the silver.

The Fermentation process is readily performed by mixing a little yeast with the saccharine urine in a small flask, which communicates by means of a glass tube with a flask containing lime-water, and keeping the flasks in a temperature of about 26° C.; the mixture will soon become turbid, and gas evolved, which, passing into the lime-water, will throw down a precipitate of carbonate of calcium. The and an important objection to it is the want of a standard colour test, and an important objection to it is the want of a standard colour to judge by. The simplest, although, perhaps, not the most delicate, test is that known as Fenling's opportes; which can easily be applied by dissolving sulphate of copper (1 gr.) and Rochelle salts (5 grs.) in a little water (5j), then adding a sufficient quantity of caustic soda or potash (3 grs.), or their equivalent in liquor potassic to redissolve the precipitate first formed, with the production of a fine clear blue colour. On boiling equal parts of this solution and diabetic urine together the copper will be precipitated as cuprous oxide. This preparation does not keep, and as it is easily made it is better to prepare it fresh, as wanted, or keep the salts dissolved in equal quantities of water in separate bottles, and not as recommended, by Dr. Piffard, I believe, make a paste of the articles and keep for use as wanted.

QUANTITATIVE TESTS FOR SUGAR .- Fehling's solution is prepared by dissolving 34.64 grammes of pure sulphate of copper in 200 c.c. of water and 173 grammes Rochelle salt in 480 c.c. of caustic soda solution, sp. gr. 1 14 (soda solution sp. gr. $1\cdot 14 = 80$ grammes to the litre), mixing the two solutions and diluting to 1 litre. A little of this solution diluted with water and boiled for a few minutes should remain clear. Having a burette and small flask ready, 10 c.c. of the l'ehling's solution are measured into the flask and

diluted with 30 c.c. of water; the liquid is then raised to boiling-point, and the saccharine urine run in slowly from the burette, boiling between each addition; when the blue colour has nearly disappeared, the brine should be added more cautiously, although it is desirable to complete the test as rapidly as possible. The end of the reaction is reached when, on removing the flame and allowing the cuprous oxide to settle, the supernatant fluid appears colour-less or faintly yellow when viewed against a white surface. The quantity of urine used is now read off, and as 10 c.c. of Fehling's solution are equivalent to '05 gramme of glncose, it will be easy to calculate the amount of sugar in a certain amount of urine.

The ammoniacal cupric solution was introduced by Dr. Pavy, and is Fehling's solution with the addition of solution of ammonia, which prevents the precipitation of the cuprous oxide on running in the saccharine urine, although the blne colour of the liquid is destroyed by the latter. This test also requires the use of a burette and a carefully standardised solution, but after the experiment has been performed once or twice it becomes very easy if one or two data are borne in mind: (1) the quantities of the test to be used; (2) the amount of sugar which decolorises a certain amount of the solution: (3) the importance of operating quickly, for, if the boiling is continued too long, the cuprous oxide will come down, and also if the boiling is not continuous from the beginning of the experiment. As the ammoniacal cuprous solution is extremely oxidisable, the blue colour being restored by oxidation, it is necessary to avoid excess of air; this is best done by attaching the burette containing the urine by a piece of indiarubber tubing to a piece of glass tube passing through the cork of the small flask containing the copper solution; a second tube conveys the steam and ammoniacal gas away.

One hundred c.c. of the solution are placed in the flask, the flask attached to the burette by the cork, and the liquid raised to boiling-point; the saccharine urine is then gradually run in from the burette, the boiling being regular; the process is at an end when the blue colour is entirely

destroyed.

This test becomes more delicate by using 10 c.c. copper solution and diluting, and also diluting the urine; This test about 1 of urine and 9 of water gives a good reaction with the ammoniacal cupric solution.

The ammoniacal solution is prepared by mixing 120 c.c. of Fehling's solution with 300 c.c. of strong liquid ammonia, 880, and 400 c.c. more caustic soda solution of 1.14 sp. gr., the mixture is then made up to I litre. One hundred c.c. of this solution correspond to '05 gramme glucose.

In estimating with silver, the cuprous oxide is obtained from the Fehling's solution in the usual way, dissolving it in hydrochloric acid, addition of strong solution of ammonia, and the resulting solution poured into a solution of nitrate of silver; the resulting metallic silver, which is immediately precipitated, is separated by filtration, and calcined at a red heat, and the weight of silver taken, using Swedish filterpapers, as the weight of their ash is so small, 3½-inch paper = 0016 gramme. Experiment and calculation on pure materials has shown that 100 of glucose is equivalent to 500-6 metallic silver; from these data the amount of glucose in a known quantity of urine can be gravimetrically determined.

BILE. - For examination of this abnormal constituent, the test of the Pharmacopæia for ol. morrhuæ is the best. A good method of applying this test is to dissolve about

1 grain of white sugar in 3 or 4 drops of water, and adding the strong sulphuric acid to it, keeping the test-tube in a measure of cold water to prevent charring of sugar by the acid, mix well with a glass rod, and pour the suspected nrine down the side of tube to float on top of the acid; if a trace of bile be present, the characteristic purple colour will be produced.

Another test, which is only to be depended on where bile is present in appreciable quantities, is to place a few drops of nitric acid and a few drops of urine together on a white plate and observe the different shades of colour.

BLOOD.—Urine containing blood is highly coloured, and, when fresh, if put under the microscope, will show the red corpuscles, either singly or in rouleaux, floating in it. The corpnscles lose their characteristic coin-shape, after a time becoming angular, owing to osmosis.

Urine can also be tested for blood by Day's test, with fresh tincture of guaiacum and peroxide of hydrogen. A drop of urine and one of tincture of guaiacum are put on a piece of white paper, and then one or two drops of peroxide of hydrogen; a blue colour will be imparted to the paper

when dry if blood be present.

The decomposition of pigment matter produces free lactic and acetic acids, and then free uric acid, acid urates, and oxalate of calcium are thrown out as sediments. This is caused by acid fermentation, the sediments caused by alkaline fermentation being urate of ammonium, phosphate of calcium, and ammonio-phosphate of magnesium. A small chart for examining urinary sediments is given in Professor Attheld's Manual, and as further proof we must have recourse to the microscope, and be guided by the plates on urinary deposits found in connection with most works on urine.

Among the accidental substances found in urine may be mentioned rhubarb, gemboge, logwood, &c., which affect its colour, and asafectida, valerian, turpentine, &c., affecting the odour; but as these are only likely to occur when these substances are taken as medicine, they are not of interest to those who only want easy and practical tests for the commoner abnormal substances.

In almost all cases the tests referred to have been verified by actual experiment, and by several years of practical

experience of the subject.

COLOURED INSECT POWDER.

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NSECT POWDER, which is commonly understood to be the ground flower-heads of Pyrethrum cinerariæfolium, is met with in colour varying from a pale dull drab to distinct yellow, which latter colour, from direct experiment, I have found it impossible to obtain from the flowers themselves. The sorts commonly met with, both "open" and "closed"even the yellow-disc florets carefully separated-will not yield a powder with more than a faint yellowish shade; while the flowers of Pyrethrum roseum, which were at one time considered the true insect flowers, give quite a dark powder. With this strong presumptive evidence that some artificial means of heightening the colour is resorted to, and with the object of determining exactly the colouring agent, I some time ago directed my attention to this subject, and found that, although genuine powder was by no means uncommon, yet in at least as many instances the article offered for sale, both as English and foreign ground, was more or less adulterated. Various substances have been from time to time mentioned as the colouring agent, the latest, perhaps, being fustic, which Mr. M. Conroy stated at a recent meeting of the Liverpool Chemists' Association he had found in large quantity in some samples of foreign powder. I have not met with this adulterant, although it was specially looked for, but I have yet to find a satisfactory method by which fustic, as well as other dye-stuffs, which, I suspect, are used to reduce or colour the powder, may be detected with certainty, especially when the proportion of contamination is small

I have found microscopical examination unreliable, artificially-coloured insect powders, to my knowledge, being passed as genuine even by a skilled microscopist, and I have found comparison with test samples prepared by blending various pigments with genuine powder in a mortar very misleading, as little difficulty is then experienced in detecting the specks of the colouring ingredient, but in the commercial powders the pigment is without doubt added during the grinding process, and becomes so incorporated with the particles of vegetable tissue as to escape any but an experienced eye, even when aided by the polariscope. I have therefore not relied upon the microscope, finding chemical

method more exact and trustworthy.

I have examined about twenty samples, which were either purchased, as commonly sold, in small boxes, or obtained as bond-fide samples offered by wholesale dealers to retailers in the ordinary way of business. With the exception of No. 3 following, all are powders from well-known firms, most of whom claim to be grinders. Selecting twelve as typical

both as to source and general character, I placed them side by side and arranged them according to their depth of yellow colour, with the following result:—.

Vendors' Description	Colour	Adulterant
in sect powder 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 3. 4. "Closed flowers" 5. 6. "Open flowers" 7. Box powder 8. 9. "Opt." 9. "Closed flowers" 1. "Foreign" 2. "Dalmatian" 2. "Dal	Drab Olive drab Yellowish " Yellow " " Very yellow	Genuine "" "" "," "," Chrome Chrome Turmeric and chrome

After arranging the powders in this manner by the eye, it was apparent that between the colours of Nos. 6 and 7 there was a perceptible gap, and when, by testing, it was proved that Nos. 7 to 12 were artificially coloured, it will be seen that appearance is some indication of genuineness.

For further examination I discarded the first suggested plan of igniting the powder with potassium nitrate and testing the residue, and prefer what I think a more delicate

and easy, even if somewhat crude, method.

Incinerate say 20 grains of the suspected powder on platinum foil, and carefully weigh the ash, as well as note its character. For example, take No. 3, which had been reduced to powder in a mortar by myself from authenticated flowers. The ash was grey in colour, and weighed 1.2 grain. This is placed in a test-tube, and a few drops of strong hydrochloric acid added, which causes some effervescence; heat is then applied to dissolve the ash, which consists chiefly of potash salts. The solution is colourless, and the addition of a little water prepares it for the application of the usual tests. Sulphuretted hydrogen gives no precipitate, nor potassium iodide a yellow colour nor precipitate, but it ought to be here noted that a black precipitate is obtained by ammonium sulphide, and dark blue by potassium ferrocyanide, indicating iron, which I found in small quantity in the ash of the genuine flowers, as well as in that of all the powders. This metal seems to exist in greater abundance in the florets, and to less than half as much in the seeds, and the indications of iron must be carefully noted, as I have found two powders containing it in such quantity as to suggest that some ferruginous earth, such as ochre, had been used to make weight or colour. One of these powders is a proprietary article, and the other a small odd sample, which I cannot replace, therefore neither appears amongst the selected twelve.

The behaviour of a powder coloured with the usual adulterant, viz., yellow chrome, is quite different. The colour of the ash is brownish, or yellow, with patches of brown at the most exposed parts, and the weight is greater; thus, 20 grains of No. 7 yielded 2.1 grains. There is the same effervescence with hydrochloric acid, but part is insoluble, and the solution on boiling becomes distinctly green, which, with a black precipitate with sulphuretted hydrogen, may be taken as conclusive proof of the presence of lead chromate. Potassium iodide gives a yellow colour, and if the hydrochloric acid be not in excess or the lead thrown down by over-dilution, a yellow crystalline precipitate separates. Any attempt to judge of the amount of added chrome by estimation of the lead present I found futile, which is readily understood when it is remembered that the finer chromes are "struck" on magnesia, and undoubtedly the alkaline earths are found to bulk largely in the composition

of many.

No. 12, although of a strikingly deep yellow colour, gave only 1-2 grain of grey ash, and thus suggested that some organic colouring had been used, and on the sample being tested by the method devised by myself for the detection of artificial colouring in rhubarb and other powders (Yearbook of Pharmacy, 1873) the supposition proved to be correct.

Pieces of white blotting-paper corresponding to the number of samples are taken and named or numbered, and a few grains of the suspected powder placed in the centre, and pressed compactly down with a piece of paper or a spatula; chloroform (or other menstruum) is then carefully dropped on the centre of the powder till it has moistened all, and extended some distance over the paper, which is then allowed to dry, wipe I free of the powder, and the stain, if

any, tested by suitable reagents.

Treated in this manner the genuine powder yields a slight yellow colour to the paper; but No. 12 and, in less degree, No. 10 gave a very distinct stain, which an atom of boracic acid (or borax) and a drop of hydrochloric acid at once identified as due to turmeric. The stain from genuine powder becomes bluish green with nitric acid, brownish with sulphuric, and only exhibits a slight darkening with potash solution. The turmeric stain becomes reddish brown with nitric acid, dark brown with sulphuric acid and with solution of potash. Fustic seems to yield nothing to chloroform, but a yellow stain obtained with alcohol becomes a distinct brown with nitric acid, and shows little change with sulphuric acid or potash. Solutions of a ferric salt strike a bluish black both with the fustic and pyrethrum stain obtained with alcohol.

When fustic is boiled for some time in water with zinc and sulphuric acid, the solution gradually assumes a bright red colour, owing to the transformation of one of the colouring principles, morin-tannic acid, into phloro-glucins and ma-

chromine.

The flowers of Pyrethrum cinerariæfolium treated in the same fashion show no change, but I have been unable to get this very promising reaction to indicate distinctly anything under 20 per cent. of fustic in insect powder, although I am hopeful that an improved method may yet result in greater delicacy.

					centage	i			centage
No.					of Ash	No.			of Ash
1					6.2	7	 	 	10.5
2			••		71	8	 	 	9.6
3			••		6.0	i 9	 	 	9.2
4					6.8	10	 ••	 	8.0
5					6-2	ii	 	 	9.4
6	••	**		••	6.2	12	 	 	6*0

The above table shows the percentage of ash yielded by the twelve selected samples, and, comparing that with the names given by the vendors, little relation will be observed between them. From more exact analysis I take the first six to be genuine powders, with the exception of No. 6, which has a suspicion of some dye-wood which I have not yet identified attached to it.

The greater weight of ash obtained from these "genuine" commercial powders is accounted for by the presence of a small proportion of sand, which all such vegetable powders contain, and which was eliminated from the selected flowers

used for No. 3.

Nos. 7 to 11 are adulterated with chrome from 3 per cent, to nearly 6 per cent.; No. 10 has the addition of a very small percentage of turmeric, and No. 12 quite 5 per cent. of that root, the characteristic glittering particles of which could readily he seen with an objective of moderate power.

It is not to be assumed that, excepting these comparatively slight admixtures, these powders are genuine, for, although undoubtedly it is had enough when, having ordered a hundredweight of insect powder, one finds 5 lbs. to 7 lbs. of chrome yellow, costing 4d. to 104, per 10, as part of the delivery, the presence of such extraneous colour is suggestive of its being merely a cloak for a more weighty adulteration such as Mr. Conroy has discovered, or as that referred to by Mr. E. V. Riley (Pharmaceutical Journal (3), vol. xii, p. 783), who says that "The stalks and leaves are ground with the flowers in the proportion of one-third of their weight," whilst on the authority of H. Kalhruner (Pharmaceutical Journal (3), vol. v., p. 305), "the plant itself (minus the flowers) powdered appears to he quite inactive."

In face of the foregoing facts it seems advisable that purchasers should avoid the foreign powder, which seems to be always coloured, and not too trustingly accept any guarantee, even of professed grinders, but verify for themselves each purchase, which hy the means above stated can be readily done in a few minutes even by a junior assistant.

PROFESSOR BLOXAM (in the Chemical News, April 13) shows how nitro-glycerine can be reconverted into its comparatively innocent constituents by means of sulphide of potassium or sulphide of ammonium. He thinks the calcium sulphide of tank waste from alkali-works might answer. Such experiments may wisely he left to professors.

Scientific Rotes :

On Chemistry, Pharmacy, Botany, Materia Medica, &c., Original, Selected, and Translated.

TO DETECT CASTOR OIL IN ALMOND OIL.

On shaking with ammonia pure almond oil gives a perfect emulsion, whereas in the presence of only 5 per cent. of castor oil drops of oil separate at the bottom, the quantity increasing of course with the percentage of castor oil present. Another method is that based on the formation of comanthol from castor oil. The sample is mixed with rectified spirits of wine, the alcoholic solution evaporated on a water-hath, and mixed with quicklime and concentrated caustic potash. On heating it now in a test-tuhe, the characteristic smell of conanthol is produced if any castor oil has been present.—W. B., in Journ. of Soc. of Chem. Ind.

TESTING BITTER-ALMOND OIL.

THE pure oil dissolves in 20 parts of water. Adulteration with other oils, such as mirbane, is shown by the latter remaining undissolved. Mirbane is also detected by its being converted into an insoluble resin on heating with alcoholic potash. Bitter-almond oil, for use in perfumery, should contain no prussic acid.—Journ. Soc. Chem. Ind., from Seifens Zeitung.

MANUFACTURE OF PAPER FROM WOOD AND STRAW.*

G. ARCHOLD states that H. Mitscherlich's suggestion of making paper from wood by the action of reducing agents dissolved in water and acid—for instance, sulphurous acid —is not practicable on account of the waste of time and high pressure necessary, and has patented the following

method in the United States and Canada :-

Wood or straw, cut into small pieces, is macerated for twelve hours with dilute milk of lime, whereupon the mass is placed in a digester and saturated therein with sulphurous acid under a pressure of four to five atmospheres. Within the space of one or two hours the structure of the straw or wood becomes so loosened that after the mass has been washed out it only requires further treatment with an aqueous solution containing three per cent. of calcium chloride and ½ per cent. of aluminium sulphate under pressure to bring it to the external appearance of cotton, and in this state, after washing out the salts, it may be at once worked up for the finest sorts of paper.

The operation from beginning to end requires but three hours.

CONIFERINE IN BEETROOTS.

EDMUND O. VON LIPPMANN, in the Berichte der deutschen chemischen Gesellschaft, January 22, 1883, confirms Scheihler's former assumption that conferine is the mother-substance of vanilline, and at the same time describes a method of extracting coniferine from beetroots. Woody, but sweet, beetroots, which give a good reaction with phenol and hydrochloric acid, are cut into slices, and extracted with absolute alcohol in a copper furnished with a helm so arranged that the alcohol continually flows back until the alcoholic extract ceases to polarise. The alcohol requires renewing three or four times to extract all the sugar, and the hoiling must be continued for $1\frac{1}{2}$ hour at each operation. After drawing off the alcohol, and when the heet slices have cooled, they are slowly stirred several times during the next 24 honrs with cold water, and left to stand, pressing or squeezing heing avoided. The whole is then covered with boiling water and boiled until the beets swell np; the mass is then carefully pressed out in a cloth, and the liquor, which must be quite clear and hut slightly coloured, boiled down. When the greater part of the water has evaporated, the solution is treated with sugar of lead, and if this produces only a slight precipitate, or none, basic acetate of lead and ammonia are added. These reagents must be added very carefully, and in small portions at a time, so as to avoid any excess, since the precipitate formed contains muci-

[·] Berichte der deutschen chemischen Gesellschaft, February 26, 1883.

laginous substances soluble in an excess of the precipitant, and cannot afterwards be removed. The whole is now filtered; any traces of lead precipitated with carbonic acid and filtered off. Should a portion of this filtrate, on being tested with sulphuretted hydrogen, be darkened by this reagent, it is a proof that the filtrate contains organic lead salts not precipitated by carbonic acid, in which case a perfect purification cannot be effected, and all further labour is useless. Should this, however, not be the case, the filtrate is carefully evaporated to a thick syrupy consistency, whereupon a darkish coloration takes place, and a smell of vanilline is noticed. The syrup is placed in several flat vessels in desiccators over sulphuric acid to crystallise out, a crystal or two of previously formed coniferine having been first added to each vessel to accelerate the crystallisa-

The author considers that coniferine is not contained ready formed in any considerable quantities in the cells of the beetroots, but that it is chiefly formed from a substance of a complicated composition-lignine-by boiling.

EXTRACTION OF THE POISONOUS PRINCIPLE CONTAINED IN SOME LUPINES.*

It is a known fact that some of the lupines, for instance, Phaseolus, are possessed of poisonous properties. Carl Arnold, of the Royal Veterinary School at Hanover, has separated a poisonous principle, contaminated with albumen, by macerating some of the lupines in question reduced to a fine powder with a 2 per cent. aqueous solution of caustic soda at a temperature of 40° C.-50° C., then leaving the mixture to stand at the ordinary temperature of a room for two days, pressing out the liquid, neutralising with acetic acid, concentrating at a temperature not above 60° C., add. ing carefully to this liquid, when cool, concentrated acetic acid till no further precipitate is formed, filtering, evaporating the filtrate to a syrupy consistence over the waterbath at a temperature not exceeding 60° C., and then mixing this with fifteen times its volume of 90 per cent. alcohol. The precipitate thus obtained is the poisonous principle, and when dried by pressing it between pieces of bibulous paper, it exhibits a brown lustrous resinous appearance, and has a pleasant aromatic smell and taste. It dissolves slowly in water, forming a cloudy liquid. Small doses produce in animals acute jaundice.

INTERNATIONAL ANALYTICAL STANDARDS.

PROFESSOR LUNGE, of Zurich, on behalf of the German Society of Chemical Industry, is sending a circular to English chemists with a view of bringing about a more general international agreement as to the methods of analysis to be pursued in estimating certain substances, as well as in the technical forms of expressing the results attained.

THE PERFUME OF FLOWERS.

In an article in the Chemiker Zeitung, March 22, 25, 29, and April 1, 1883, by Laurent Naudin, "On a New Method of Extracting Perfumes," allusion is made to Millon's remarks on what is at present known of the physical nature of the perfume of flowers, according to which Millon is quoted as saying :- "The very minute percentage of perfume present in odorous plants renders a study of the chemical nature of the substance evolving the odour very difficult, if not impossible. The average percentage yield is about 1 milligramme per kilo. of flowers operated on.

"The perfume-yielding substance of flowers is generally a solid, seldom a liquid body, which is not attacked by the air, and of which a single flower contains but imponderable traces. It is not decomposed by any temperature which does not exceed the highest temperature of the atmosphere.

"The diffusibility of the perfume of flowers in the air is almost unlimited, the odoriferous substance exhaling its odour far and wide without undergoing any perceptible loss of weight. It is almost equally diffusible in water, and a single drop of an alcoholic solution of a perfume poured into a comparatively large quantity of water imparts to the latter a powerful odour.

"The substance is further almost always volatile without

* Berichte der deutschen chemischen Gesellschaft, March 12, 1883.

decomposition with such solvents as alcohol, ether, the fat oils, sulphide of carbon, chloroform, benzine, &c."

L. Naudin hopes that his new method of extraction will enable the odorous substances of flowers to be collected in sufficient quantity to ascertain their chemical nature.

DETECTION OF LEAD IN CITRIC ACID.

ALTHOUGH perfectly pure citric acid is purchaseable, it is well known that as a rule the acid is more or less contaminated with lead from the lead vessels, the use of which cannot be avoided in the manufacture of the article.

Theodor Pusch, of Dessau, in the Pharmaceutische Zeitung, May 2, 1883, points out that the official test in the new German Pharmacopæia, that of pouring sulphuretted hydrogen water over the crystalline acid, is by no means accurate, since the very acid solution thereby produced prevents any colouration, unless a considerable quantity of lead is present.

The best test for the presence of lead in citric acid, originally proposed by the German Pharmacopæia Commission, consists in nearly neutralising with ammonia a 10 per cent. solution of the acid, and then mixing this liquid with two or three times its volume of sulphuretted hydrogen water. The presence of even minute quantities of lead at once produces a brownish colouration.

ON A CERTAIN TOPICAL PROPERTY OF GLYCERINE, AND ITS EMPLOYMENT IN THE PLACE OF CINTMENT OF MERCURY.

SINCE glycerine is not absorbed by the skin, and in most cases prevents even the absorption of medicaments when mixed with them, P. Vigier recommends the employment of a mixture of 5 parts of corrosive sublimate and 100 parts of glycerine in lieu of ordinary ointment of mercury (British Pharmacopœia).

Vigier further sums up by saying that, as a rule, when absorption of a medicament is required, some fatty substance should be used as the vehicle, and where an absorption is to be avoided glycerine should be employed.

NEW DRUGS.

MESSRS. GEHE & Co., in their April report, remark as under on the new drugs more or less in fashion :-

Cortex Quebracho Blanco .- This bark, from the Argentine Republic, is still in regular demand for asthma, but has not fulfilled the expectations entertained at the time of its appearance a few years ago.

Folia Boldo .- From Peru .- The leaves are employed not only as a remedy for diseases of the liver, but also for gonorrhea, dyspepsia, and rheumatic affections.

Carica Papaya.—The inspissated juice of this tree is imported from Brazil, from which pure papayotin, or vegetable pepsine, is prepared, and is much in demand for diphtheria. Grindelia Robusta.-From California.-The fluid extract

is said to be used with success in America for diseases of the respiratory organs. It is also often employed here now.

Mudar Bark.—The bark of Calotropis gigantea. The natives of India use this as a remedy for epilepsy, paralysis, and the bites of poisonous animals. The powdered bark acts very similarly to ipecacuanha; it has been recommended for leprosy, dropsy, and intermittent fever. Semen Simibæ seu Cedronis .- The seeds of Simiba ecdron

(Planch), a tree belonging to the natural order Simarubacea. and probably indigenous to New Canada. The inhabitants of South America carry these seeds about with them as an antidote for snake-bites. The seeds are bruised and immediately employed.

Cortex Copalehi.— The bark of Croton pseudocheira, Mexican fever bark, also called "quina blanca," is now again in frequent demand. It was formerly employed here as a febrifuge, and as a substitute for cascarilla.

Semen Jequiriti.-The seeds of Abrus precatorius, belonging to the natural order Leguminosæ. An aqueous extract of the seeds is used in ophthalmics.

^{*} Pharmaceutische Centralhalle, April 5, 1883.

Cannabin Tannate increases in reputation as an excellent and safe hypnotic, and, from its not causing any derangement of the bowels, is in most cases preferred to morphium and opium.

Chinoline.—The demand for this article is on the decline, possibly owing to its having been at one time offered in an impure state.

Suggestions.

To clean ivory, apply bicarbonate of soda with a toothbrush dipped in warm water.

COCKROACHES may be destroyed by making red lead into a paste with flour and brown sugar, and spread on small pieces of card distributed at night about infested places.

Boric Acid is hard to powder, but the work may be facilitated (says the *Pharmaceutische Post*) by first warming the mortar by burning some alcohol in it, then putting in the acid, and adding a very little glycerine.

A GOOD paste for labels, suitable for bottles, may be made by soaking glue in strong vinegar, then heat to boiling and add flour. This is very adhesive, and will not decompose when kept in wide-mouthed bottles.—American Bottler.

Mr. Witte, a homosopathic chemist, of Cleveland, in the Hahnemannian Monthly, tells how much more perfectly triturations can be made in unglazed porcelain mortars than in Wedgwood ones, on account of the superior hardness of the former. This can be tested on lycopodium.

To DESTROY THE ODOUR OF PAINT.—Slice a few onions and put them in a pail of water in the centre of the room, to remain there for several hours; or plunge a handful of hay into a pailful of water, and let it stand in the room over night.

To preserve crystals of sulphate of iron, Gawalowski (Zeit. Anal. Chem.) says insert among them a test-tube half full of cotton-wood which has been soaked in an alkaline solution of pyrogallic acid, so that the mouth of the tube shall be just above the crystals. The bottle containing the crystals should be kept well corked.

M. ANCELIN finds that the quantity of useful heat is four times greater in acetate of soda than in water. Consequently the duration of the heat of a warming-pan containing acetate of soda is so much longer than one containing water. This is due to the enormous quantity of heat that must be applied to the acetate of soda in order to change it from the solid to the liquid state—a heat which is given off as it resumes the solid state.—Dental Record.

To BLEACH SPONGES,—M. Vogel (Mon. des Produits Chimiques) advises to soak them in cold water for five or six days, changing the water five or six times a day and pressing the sponges at each change. Then, if necessary, soak them for twenty-four hours in a solution containing 5 per cent. of hydrochloric acid, in order to dissolve any calcareous carbonate which cannot be otherwise removed. After this, wash them in clean water, and then immerse them in sulphurous acid, specific gravity 1-024, repeating this process frequently for a week. Lastly wash them for twenty-four hours in a stream of fresh water, dip them in perfumed water, and let them dry. The finer the sponge the more easily it is bleached.

The following four suggestions are taken from the Australian Medical Journal:—

An ounce of sweet spirits of nitre will dissolve 20 grains of quinte sulph. This makes a combination very efficacious in counteracting the troublesome nausea of fevers.—Dr. Kenner.

Sould's Treatment of Sca-sickness.—Sodii bromidi 5 iv., ammonii bromidi 5 ij., aquæ menthæ piperitæ 5 iij. A teaspoonful before meals and at bedtime. Begin the treatment three days before going on board. Soule has no failure to record.

Dr. Andrieu's ointment for soft chancres consists of one part of starch, one of pyrogallic acid, and three of vaseline.

For excessive sweating, bathe the body, a small surface at a time, with a sponge wet with the following lotion:—Alcohol Oj., quiniæ sulph. 3 i.—Dr. T. H. Currie.

Medical Gleanings.

A New Protective.—Dr. Malinin (Mediz. Oborr., quoted in the Phila. Med. Reporter), recommends mixing—collodium, 1 lb.; castor oil, 5;; almond oil, 5ss.; and carbolised oil, 5iij. to 5iv.; and spreading it over a glass plate smeared with glycerine. The fluid rapidly dries, forming a transparent thin, soft, and light sheet, which, when used, suffers no alteration from the contact with wound-discharges, and may be employed repeatedly (of course, each time after its washing in a carbolic solution).

TREATMENT OF WARTS.—M. Vidal employs the following procedure, especially when the lesion is placed on the hands:—Having spread a layer of black soap on a piece of flannel, he binds this kind of plaster over the part, so as to keep it in situ during the night, and, if possible, during the day also. After a few nights' repetition of such application the wart becomes softened or dissolved, and it now only requires to be scraped to secure its complete disappearance.—Med. Times, from Jour. de Méd. Prat.

ERGOT-POISONING.—It seems to result from recent researches by A. W. Pohl, brought before the Russian Chemical Society, that the poisonous action of the ergot, the bad effects of which are so often witnessed in Russia, is due to putrefaction poisons called ptomaines, which appear during the decomposition of the albuminoids in flour. The ergot, that is the sclerotium of the small mushroom, Claviceps purpurea, has energetic peptic qualities, and thus would directly contribute to the formation of ptomaines in the flour.

CITRATE OF CAFFEINE,-Dr. Routh reports in the Lancet that a patient of his, aged 63, who suffered from severe headache, chestache, and backache was ordered by him to take one drachm of citrate of caffeine three times a day, and a sleeping draught at night. "I meant Bishop's granular effervescent citrate," says Dr. Routh, "the only medicinal preparation in vogue. Unhappily, I did not specify this exactly, never doing so, and having always received this preparation when ordering it simply as citrate of caffeine. But unfortunately, also, the chemist who made it up supplied the ordinary citrate of caffeine pure and simple." [If Bishop's citrate is the only medicinal preparation in vogue, what is the ordinary citrate?] The patient took a drachm of citrate of caffeine at 4 R.M. Violent vomiting, purging, giddiness, and thirst followed, and when Dr. Routh reached his patient at 6 P.M. he was in a state of collapse, but retaining all his senses, and suffering no headache. After making him vomit by means of ipecacuanha wine, animal charcoal and stimulants were administered. The patient was several days before he recovered from this dangerous dose. Dr. Routh is entitled to great credit for his candour in narrating this instructive case, but he is unfair in apportioning as he does at the end of his article equal blame to the chemist who dispensed the medicine.

CHANGES IN THE ITALIAN TARIFF.—In the last Consular Reports published by the Foreign Office in March, 1883, is a report by Mr. Fraser on some changes effected at the end of last year in the Italian Customs Tariff. The only passages from this report which it is of interest for us to quote are the following:—Itallows the salts of cinchinina,""cincondina," and "cinconina," which are made from Peruvian bark of second quality and largely fabricated in Lombardy, principally for exportation, to receive the same facilities in regard to drawbacks of export duty with salts of quinine properly so called. Oxide of iron or lead, free; the duty had been 2f, per quintal. Chlorine of magnesia (cloruro) 1f. per quintal. Citrate of magnesia is added to the list of madeup medicines taxed in the general tariff at 180f, per quintal, Gums and resins of every kind (hitherto taxed at 3f, per quintal) are exempted from duty. Gambier (formerly taxed at 1f, per quintal), free. Indigo, cochineal, and kermes (formerly taxed at 7f, per quintal), free. Prussiate ("prussiato") of potash, yellow and red (hitherto taxed at 8f, per quintal), free. The quintal is equal to 220 46 lbs. avoirdupois.

MISCELLANEOUS FORMULÆ.

THEATRE GREASE-PAINT (Fatty Face-paint) .- White-

				F	arts
White wax	 				2
Oil olive (or sweet almonds)	 				3
Talc, powdered	 				1
Zinc oxide	 	••	••	••	$\frac{1}{2}$
_					
Chloride bismuth	 				5
White wax	 	••	••		2
Oil sweet almonds	 				5

For red, take the above basis and q.s. carmine. The most approved proportion seems to be 1 carmine to 40 base, and the best procedure would probably be—

						Parts
Carmine						 1
Water of am	nonia	(q.s. ti	II diss	olved),	say	 4 to 8

Rub intimately with powdered talc (6 parts) till dry, then rub with basis—

					St	earns'	New Idea.
Oil, olive or	almond	••	••	••	••	••	20½
White wax			••		••	••	13½
							Parts

SILVER-CLEANING SOAP.—Melt 400 parts of cocoanut oil and add gradually 200 of a 40° caustic soda lye. When the saponification is complete stir in 50 parts of English rouge, ruboed down, with 2 of spirit of ammonia.—Rundschau für Pharm.

MILK OF MAGNESIA.—According to some, this preparation is identical with the old French Medecine blanche, which was made by adding water very gradually to calcined magnesia, and heating the mixture to ebullition. Others say it can be made by precipitating with caustic soda a boiling solution of sulphate of magnesia, and washing the magma with warm water. Which is the right process we cannot tell. For aught we know, both may be right or both wrong.—Druggists' Civculur.

DENTAL CEMENT (Filler).—R. F. Fairthorne gives the following excellent formula: 200 parts of oxide of zinc, 8 parts of silicic acid, 4 parts of borax, 5 parts of glass; reduced to a very fine powder. For immediate use add sufficient of a concentrated solution of chloride of zinc to a suitable consistence.—Pharm. Record.

TROCHISCI IODOFORMI.—Iodoformi, grammes, 5; sacchari, 100; ol. menth. pip., 0·15; tragacanth, 0·25; glycerini, 1; aquæ, q.s. Fiant trochisisi 100. This is stated in the Mcd. Chir. Centr. Bl. to be the most convenient form for internal administration of iodoform.

VINUM CINCHONÆ .-

					Parts
Tinct, cinchons	9	 	••	 	100
Glycerini		 ••		 	100
Vini Xerensis		 ••		 	300

Mix, and let stand for three weeks, and filter.

Pharm. Germ. (Ed. II.)

VIN. CINCHONÆ FERRATUM .--

			Parts
Vini cinchons:	 	 	200
Pyrophosph, ferri solub.	 	 	2
Acid citric	 2.	 	1
Aquæ	 		2

Med, Chir. Cent. Bl.

HOMEY SOAP BY THE COLD PROCESS,—Saponify 30 lbs. of tallow with 15 lbs, of caustic ley of 36° B. at 38° C. Agitate, using a water-jacket to the boilcr. Gradually bring in 3' lbs. of powdered light colophony and 3 lbs. of caustic ley at 28° B. Dye with any convenient yellow and perfume with 75 grains citron oil, 15 grains oil of peppermint, and 15 grains of rosmary oil. When casting do not cover the moulds more than necessary.—Ottermann, in Seif. Zeit, per Journ. Soc. (Kom. Ind.

TOILET VINEGAR (similar to Maillard's).—Acid, acet, dill, 1,000 parts; alcohol, 2,000; tinct. tolut., 40; tinct. benzoes, 15; ol. bergamot, 15; ol. limonis, 15; ol. lavand., 15; ol. rorismar., 5; tinct. moschi, 5; rad. rhatanie, 4. Mix, macerate 14 days, and filter.

GLYCERINE SOAP.—The following recipe for a transparent soap is given by Kürten in the Seif. Zeit.—

Lbs.

				LUS
Tallow			 	 63
Palmnut or cocos	nut oil	••	 	 431
Leys at 39° B			 	 57
Alcohol (90 per c	ent.)		 	 491
Glycerine .			 	 69±

The oils are heated to 70° C, the leys are then slowly stirred in, and lastly the glycerine and spirit. On heating now to 80° complete combination takes place. The mass is perfumed and run into moulds, which allow of the most rapid cooling possible—Journ. Sec. Chem. Ind.

CREAM MEAD.—A very agreeable drink may be prepared for convalescents as follows:—Dissolve 3 lbs. of white sugar in \(\frac{1}{2} \) gallon of boiling water, and while cold add 3 oz. of tartaric acid previously dissolved in a pint of cold water. Now add the whites of three eggs well beaten, flavour to taste, and bottle. When it is to be used stir in a few grains of bicarbonate of soda, and a delicious effervescing drink is the result.—Medical Bulletin.

ANISEED CORDIAL.—The following is an excellent formula:—Macerate for twenty-four hours in a mixture of alcohol 3ij., water 5ij., 3j. of aniseed, and then add 5ij. of simple syrup.—Medical Bulletin.

REYNOLDS' SPECIFIC.-

TOT THE DISCUSSION.

Sherry wine					 1 pint
Colchicum bulbs		••	••		 ½ lb.
Jamaica rum					1 oz.
Ponny	flowers	guifficie	nt to	colour	

flowers sufficient to colour.
St. Louis Druggist.

LEATHER POLISH.—A German journal gives the following leather polish:—Mix 200 parts of shellac with 1,000 of spirit—95 per cent,—in a well-stoppered bottle. Keep in a warm place for two or three days, shaking frequently. Separately dissolve 25 parts of Marseilles soap in 375 of warmed spirit—25 per cent.—and to the solution add 40 of glycerine. Shake well and mix with the shellac solution. To the mixture add 5 parts of nigrosin dissolved in 125 of spirit. Well close the vessel and shake energetically, and then leave the mixture in a warm place for a fortnight.

INCOMPUSTIBLE PAINT.—MM, Vildő and Schambeck propose the following mixture for rendering wood-work incombustible:—Pulverised glass, 20; pulverised porcelain, 20; pulverised stone, 20; calcined line, 10; silicate of soda, 30; total, 100. The solid elements must be reduced to fine powder, and then mixed intimately with the soluble glass, thus forming a glutinous mass which may be employed, as it is, for painting, or may be mixed with various colours. The addition of the line gives a certain unctuosity to the mass for painting, while the combining of this lime with a portion of the silicic acid of the soluble glass promotes the ultimate mixture of the other substances. The paint is laid on with a brush in the ordinary manner, and as evenly as possible on the surface to be protected. The first coat sets immediately, and the second may be applied from six to twelve hours afterwards, two coats being sufficient. This composition may also be employed with advantage for protecting iron bridges, sleepers, &c., from oxidation,—Journ.

A PROCESS FOR SILVERING GLASS has, we hear, been devised by Professor Palmieri. It is by means of the reducing action of glycerine on the salts of silver, and the system has the advantage of producing a very brilliant metallic deposit. When into an ammoniacal solution of nitrate of silver is poured, first a little caustic potash, and then a few drops of glycerine, the reduction begins at once; and this action is accelerated if ether or alcohol be added to the mixture. A moderate heat and darkness are said to increase the brilliancy of the precipitate, and darkness also favours the adhesion to the mirror of the deposit.



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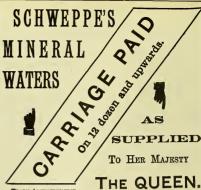
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MOTES.

THE ANNUAL REPORTS.

THE report of the Pharmaceutical Council, to be submitted to the annual meeting of the Society, on Wednesday, the 23rd inst., shows the usual prosperity. Nearly 1,300. have been added to the accumulated funds of the Society, which now amount to over 25,000. Some portion of this is to be invested in freehold ground rents. Such, at least, is the intention of the Council, and it is mentioned in the report with a view, perhaps, of inviting opinion. The special feature of

Middlesex

the balance-sheet is the considerably improved financial position of the Pharmaceutical Journal, which shows a profit of 4171., after all expenses of production have been deducted. Last year the favourable balance was only 99%. The gross receipts of the Society from the subscriptions of members, associates, and apprentices have declined from 4.7431, last year to 4,715% this year. Satisfactory reports are given of the library, museum, and evening meetings, and mention is made that 155 cases of alleged infringements of the Pharmacy Act came before the Council during the year. In most cases, when legal proceedings were taken, penalties were paid before the hearings. The income from this source amounted to 867, 8s, 8d.

References to the Pharmacy Bill, to the curriculum proposals, the Benevolent Fund, the intention of electing corresponding members, and the obituary of the year, are the other items of the report. With regard to the Benevolent Fund, we note that annuities of 30l. to 35l. are being paid to 36 persons, and that 4411, was distributed in the year in casual grants. Nothwithstanding, or we should rather say in consequence of, the greatly increased liberality which now characterises the management of this fund, the subscriptions keep up well with the demand, and, as usual, the accumulated fund has been increased.

The report of the Chemists and Druggists' Trade Association again offers no material for sensational interest, unless such sensation be found in the gradual but steady progress of the Association towards a financial collapse. The expenses are nothing more than normal, but the net assets of the Association are shown in the balance-sheet to have fallen from 413l, 17s. 2d. to 259l. 7s. 5d. The members who actually paid their subscriptions during the past year numbered 2,743, and these gave an income of 6851. 15s.; the donations amounted to 63l. 4s. 6d. A body of 3,000 men united in one aim, and likely enough to recruit themselves to double that number in case of any pressing need, is no mean force; but it certainly seems hard that so many should get the practical benefit of this union without contributing towards its maintenance.

The details of the report show that two threatened actions which the Executive Committee had resolved to defend have not been prosecuted. One of these actions involved the right to use the words "Liver Mixture," and the other was for damages for unskilfully treating a child's cut finger. The committee have a right to claim that their action in the past has prevented many actions being instituted, and this is markedly the case in .egard to the Sale of Foods Act. Only two cases have been submitted to the committee, and neither seemed a proper one to defend.

The prosecutions by the Association under the Pharmacy Act and the general proceedings of the committee have been reported by us from month to month; they are again stated in abstract in the report.

The annual meeting of the Association is to be held at 12 for 12.30 P.M., on Tuesday next, May 22, in the Banqueting Room of the Inns of Court Hotel, Lincoln's Inn Fields.

CORONERS ON THE SALE POISONS.

SEVENTY-FOUR replies have been received from various coroners of England and Wales in answer to the circular we addressed to them, a copy of which we printed last month.

Two of the questions we asked were-First, "If they considered that the sale of carbolic acid ought to be confined to chemists and druggists, and subject to the regulations of the Pharmacy Act?" and, second, "Do you approve of the proposal to authorise traders other than chemists and druggists to deal in articles legally recognised as poisonous?"

Fifty-four coroners are in favour of confining to chemists the sale of carbolic acid, and object to the proposal to allow others than chemists and druggists to deal in poisonous articles. These are the coroners for :-

Wantage Hants Borough of Applehy Hemel Hempstead Cheshire (Knutsford Divi-ion) Henley-on-Thames Lordship of Millom Pembroke Leicestershire (Northern District) Borough of Ludlow Seaford Rape of Hastings Hants (County of)
Devonshire (Stoke Damerel District) Cardiganshire Gloucestershire (Lower Division) Northamptonshire (Eastern Div.) Ward (Stockton-on-Tees) Wiltshire South Northumherland Bolton Honour of Pontefract County of Salop — (T. Stockwood, Esq.)

Berwick-on-Tweed Town and County of Poole Borough of Oswestry Manor of Hale Borough of Guildford City of Rochester Breconshire Bury St. Edmunds Borough of Malmeshury Liberty of Havering-atte-Bower Yorkshire and Honour of Pontefract Wimhorne and Blandford (Dorset) Lincoln Borough of Helston Manor of Chepstow Salop Leeds Devon Fordingbridge Worcestershire Gloucestershire (Stroud) Darlington Ward (Durnam Connty) Buckingham, and Northern Division

The coroners for the Boro ugh of Lydd, Kent, Tenterden, the Borough of Bridgnorth, and the Hundred of Clachlore (?) consider that it is advisable to allow others than chemists and druggists to sell poisonous articles, including carbolic acid. The Coroner for Tenterden, however, qualifies his opinion by stating that a register ought to be kept, and the traders to be qualified.

The Coroner for the Hundred of Nassaburgh [?] considers that the sale of carbolic acid ought to be confined to chemists, but expresses no opinion on the other point.

The Coroner for Portland, his brother of Cardiganshire, and Dr. Diplock, of West Middlesex, consider that the saleof carbolic acid should not be confined to chemists, and would not allow other tradesmen to deal in poisonous articles. It is possible that this somewhat illogical position is taken up by inadvertence. Dr. Diplock says he would not approve of the proposal to allow traders other than chemists and druggists to deal in articles legally recognised as poisonous, if other traders are subject to the same regulations. We feel sure that the proviso indicates that Dr. Diplock would not dis-approve of the proposal.

Four would confine the sale of poisonous articles to chemists, without expressing an opinion on carbolic acid.

Eight coroners remain to be accounted for. One has noexperience; another has no remarks to make; three propose various restrictions on the sale of poisons, which will be mentioned elsewhere; a sixth would make the buyer responsible for the care of poison; the next considers the poison label sufficient protection; while the last, of a scholastic turn of mind, questions the power of Parliament to declare anything poisonous which is freely given in medical practice.

A parliament of coroners would, therefore, be far more favourable to the pharmacists' monopoly than the Bill promoted by the Pharmaceutical Council. Out of seventy-four no less than fifty-four would vote for the restriction of the sale of poisonous articles, including carbolic acid, to chemists only. Three only would positively oppose it, and they might be open to conviction. Two would abstain from voting; three are theoretically inclined towards it, as they think the sale of poisons should be very much restricted; four would confine the sale of poisons generally to chemists and druggists; three would not allow traders other than chemists to deal in any poisonous articles except carbolic acid; while two can hardly be classified. The opposition, it will be seen, is not only insignificant, but is thoroughly disorganised.

THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST.

this subject.

ADDITIONS TO THE POISONS SCHEDULES.

The replies that have been received under this heading are the more interesting that our question suggested nothing. We did not "lead" in the slightest degree.

The three mineral acids should be added to the poisous schedule in the opinions of the coroners for

South Northumberland County of Salop Liberty of Havering-atte-Bower

Eastern Northamptonshire Norwich (perhaps) Borongh of Leeds

making eight in all. Five suggest the addition of patent medicines, namely, the coroners for

Hants Rochester City Norwich

Seaford

The Coroner for Yorkshire writes :- "I consider the danger arising from the sale of patent medicines is increased by puffing pamphlets and advertisements;" in other words, by all attempts to increase their sale.

The Coroner for the county of Salop would add especially the chloride of antimony; the Coroner for Dorset would include all antimonial preparations

The Coroner for the Cardigan district would have the sale of poisonous disinfectants regulated; the Coroner for the borough of Guildford thinks that carbolic acid should be sold to the public only in the form of powder. The addition of phosphorus is proposed by the coroners for Tenterden,

Rochdale, Wimborne, and Blandford.

The Coroner for Tenterden suggests the addition of sheep-dip; Dr. Grace, of Lower Gloucestershire, would add children's soothing syrup; croton oil would be added by the coroner for Cardiganshire; and nitro-benzole is poisonous in ouuce doses we are told by the Coroner for the borough of Guildford.

In addition to these a number of interesting suggestions are made, which we give below, as far as possible, in the writers' own words.

The Coroner for Tenterden (Kent) " would have all poisons not used either destroyed or returned to the traders: for a farmer and child near here lost their lives through taking sheep-dipping powders for brimstone. He would allow respectable traders to deal in poisons if a proper register is kept."

The Coroner for Lancashire thinks "phosphorus preparations should be added to the poison schedule, because no trace of this poison can be found after death." Also that "many persons commit suicide with vermin killers, which ought not to be sold except under the regulations of the Pharmacy Act."

The Coroner for Kent writes :- "I think precautions ought to be taken with regard to the sale of carbolic acid, for two or three cases have recently come under my notice of deaths arising from having taken a quantity of this acid. So far as could be discovered the deaths were the result of suicide, and I take it that the unrestricted and haphazard sale of such a dangerous, although useful, acid is a great temptation to persons contemplating taking their own lives. . . . I am afraid that the sale of poisons even by chemists is not done in such a careful way as it should be; still I think it is not likely that an ordinary trader would use more, if so much, caution, as a duly-qualified chemist in the sale of such articles. . . . I think it would be well if some of the articles enumerated in Part II, of the Poisons Schedule, such as essential oil of almonds, opium, and oxalic acid, could possibly be sold in a more careful manner. I have frequently had to inquire into deaths arising from one or other of these poisons (especially opium), and it has struck me that the easy mode of obtaining them is a direct encouragement to buy such articles. Whilst inquiring into a recent case of suicide, a chemist's assistant actually stated that they would have no hesitation in supplying even a pint of opium to a purchaser, provided he was known to the person selling; and in that case it was indeed a most superficial knowledge.

The Coroner for the Cardigan district says he does not approve of the proposal to allow traders other than chemists and druggists to deal in articles legally recognised as poisonous, but adds :- "I scarcely know why there should be any objection, provided such traders were competent enough to know the properties of such poisons."

The Coroner for Ipswich sends us the subjoined interesting and suggestive letter :-20 Upper Brook Street, Ipswich, April II.

SALE OF POISONS

SIR,-I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your circular with reference to

It seems to me that the Pharmacy Act is at present evaded for two reasons. First, because it requires articles, which are frequently and properly used as medicine, to be labelled with the word "Poison;" and, secondly, because it is the business and interest of no one to see that the Act is carried ont.

I do not think that the Act would be amended by any addition to either schedule to the Act. I would suggest instead, that, while the great majority of poisons should be labelled and dealt with as they are now, and sold only by chemists and druggists, substances frequently used as medicines, which may become, and often are, poisons, such, for instance, as preparations of morphia, opinm and chloroform, should be taken out of the schedule of the Pharmacy Act, and that instead of their being labelled "Poison," they should be labelled, "This preparation contains opium, or morphia, or chloroform, &c.," and that all such persons should have power to sell them (as also vermin-killers), and such persons only, as should take out a licence to that effect. Every person so licensed should keep a "Poisons-book," in which an entry should be made of the date of sale of each article, the name and address of the purchaser, the name and quautity sold, and the purpose for which it is wanted.

Carbolic acid and sulphuric acid should, I think, be dealt with in the same way. The effect of this would be to do away with the objections that are now made to the Act, which are: First, that a medicine has to be labelled "Poison," and persons are consequently frightened from using them (the result being, not that the articles are not sold, but that the Act is constantly infringed); and, secondly, that great inconvenience arises in country districts from the fact that certain articles of frequent use can only be obtained from chemists and druggists, the result being that these articles are surreptitiously sold by other persons. It would also have the effect of limiting the sale of these articles to the persous properly authorised for such sale, as there would be people then, namely, collectors of the licence dnties, whose province it would be to see that none but persons so licensed should sell the articles in question.

I think that if the plan I propose were adopted, crime would be much easier of detection than it is now.

Dr. E. M. Grace, Coroner for the Lower Division of Gloucestershire, remarks that "Nothing containing opium for children should be allowed to be sold at all to the public.'

The Coroner for Wilts says :- "At present there is no

difficulty in procuring poisons from druggists and others, especially in quack medicines."

The Coroner for South Northumberland says:—" More stringent measures should be adopted in the sale of vermin killers, no fewer than five cases of poisoning by Battle's vermin killer having occurred in a small town in my district within the last ten years, proving fatal. I believe, however, they were all wilful.'

The Coroner for Portland would add to the Poison Schedule: "Every poisonous substance small quantities of

which may take away human life."

The Coroner for Bolton writes :- "I am perfectly satisfied that carbolic acid should be confined to druggists and subject to the regulations of the Pharmacy Acts. I have had two inquests within the last year or two from poisoning by carbolic acid, which might have been prevented if it had been more difficult to obtain the poison.

The Coroner for Pembroke says:—"I would restrict the sale of poisons as much as possible. I was not aware that carbolic acid was sold by any excepting chemists and druggists. I consider that some druggists are very careless as to selling poisons. I was in a druggist's shop when a lad came and asked for strycbnine, producing a letter. He was given enough to kill a whole parish; it was for killing vermin. Where such a case as this happens it would be for the public safety if the druggist informed the police that so-and-so had so much poison.

The Coroner for Northamptonshire says :- " I am glad to say I have not had any cases of poisoning to deal with, but my private opinion is that any measure which will limit the number of dealers in poisonous substances, and also ensure the purchasers and the public having notice of the danger of the articles, will be of advantage.

The Coroner for Seaford would add to the Poison Schedule, "patent and other medicines which contain chloral and other poisons in dangerous doses."

The Coroner for Norwich thinks it most desirable, most

important of all, that patent medicines containing poisons shall be subject to the regulations named in the Pharmacy Act, 1868.

The Coroner for Hertfordshire says :- " It is within my knowledge that poisons are now too easily procured for

malicious poisoning of domesticated animals."

The Coroner for Wolverhampton considers that the restrictions on the sale of poisons cannot be too stringent.

The Coroner for Porset writes: "O oly last week an inquest was held by me where a person had committed suicide by taking Battle's vermin killer. He had been unable to obtain it himself, the chemist refusing to sell it him; but he obtained it through the carrier from his village, who stated in his evidence that he very frequently obtained the for numerous people, sometimes signing the book, sometimes not. This, in my opinion, should be prevented."

The Coroner for the Manor of Hales would restrict the

sale of carbolic acid to chemists, except where it is required in large quantities for manufacturing purposes. Some precautions should be taken to prevent the workmen in manufactories where poisons are used taking portions away with them. "I have recently had a valuable yard-dog poisoned with poison obtained in that way—at least, so I believe."

The Coroner for Warwickshire writes: — "I think no poison should be sold to any person, unless in the presence of a credible witness able to certify to the vendor the purpose for which it is wanted."

The Coroner for the City of Rochester says :- "Patent medicines containing laudanum and other poisons ought not to be sold by quacks or traders other than chemists and

druggists."

The Coroner for Breconshire, in answer to the question whether traders other than chemists should be allowed to deal in poisonous articles, says :- " Certainly not; the higher the status the greater the protection. . . . In selling poisons the person applied to should call his principal, and narrowly watch the effect on the customer."

The Coroner for the Liberty of Bury St. Edmunds says :-"I think dealers in poisonous articles should be specially

qualified, and known to the public as such."

The Coroner for the Borough of Abingdon writes:—"I think it would be very desirable that no poison should be obtainable except through a chemist and druggist."

The Coroner for the Liberty of Havering-atte-Bower considers that the sale of carbolic acid ought to be confined to chemists and druggists, "and also that the sale of sulphuric, nitric, and hydrochloric acids should be so limited; also in certain industrial centres to persons specially licensed for the purpose, other than chemists and druggists. would make the neglect of regulations as to sale highly penal, as in the case of explosives, &c."

Dr. Diplock, Coroner for West Middlesex, suggests "that the word 'poison' on each packet or bottle should stand

alone and distinct, not forming part of a sentence."

The Coroner for the Hundred of Christchurch writes:-"It is a pity to impose on trade restrictions which are either unnecessary or inefficient, but I think that whatever vessel or parcel poison is kept in should be plainly marked 'poison,' and should be kept under lock and key, and that not only the seller should be subject to restrictions, but the purchaser should be liable to punishment who keeps deadly poison or loaded firearms in a careless manner. I have recently had a case of poisoning where salad oil, sp. ammon. arom. [prussic acid?], and laudanum were kept together, and it is supposed that the deceased took the p. acid by mistake for sp. am. At the same time the impossibility must be admitted of guarding against all poisons. Almost every garden and every hedge supplies them in abundance. Make the buyer answerable for the care of the poison."

The Coroner for Oxford writes in a critical and extremely logical strain :- "SIR,-It is hardly to be expected that Parliament will restrict the sale of articles of merchandise, such as sulphuric, nitric, hydrochloric, and carbolic acid. do not see what right Parliament has to declare any article 'poisonous' which is freely given in medical practice. No doubt the attempt made to stop the sale of such things has failed. If further attempts are made they might be extended to cards of all kinds, edge-tools, gunpowder, fire-arms, quicklime, and all articles liable to be supplied to an apparatus of a document. unlawful or a dangerous purpose. If it is true that any 'persons keep open shops for the retailing, dispensing, or compounding of poisons' I think it would be well that means should be provided to punish them, if not to stop them from

such wickedness."

The Coroner for the Hundred of Hurstingstone, in the county of Huntingdon, says: - "I have not held many inquests as to deaths by poison, and I do not remember any in which the cause was from the poison being bought from a person not a chemist. The inquests have mostly been on deaths caused by taking by mistake poison instead of medicine, from the wrong bottle, or using a little too much laudanum medicine. I think all poisons should be distinctly labelled as such, and that this is sufficient protection to careful people, and that no legislation will prevent accidents happening to careless people."

The Coroner for the Hundred of Clachelore [?] would not

confine the sale of carbolic acid to chemists and druggists, "because it is of such general use in sanitary districts.

The Coroner for Devon says :- "No case of poisoning by carbolic acid has come under my notice officially, but I certainly think it is a poison which should be subject to the regulations of the Pharmacy Act. I think the proposal to authorise other traders than chemists and druggists is very unwise, the public safety requiring, in my opinion, further restrictions rather than further liberty in the sale of poisons."

The Coroner for the county of Worcester says: -" I am of opinion that all poisonous substances should only be sold by chemists."

The Coroner for Sandwich considers the sale of carbolic acid should be confined to chemists and druggists, because they are now located in all towns and large villages; also, that the sale of poisons should be restricted to chemists and druggists.

The Coroner for Bedfordshire says :- "As much restriction as possible ought to be enforced, especially upon alcoholic

drinks."

It will be seen that while some of these suggestions are impracticable and others show incomplete acquaintance with the existing law, many of them are very worthy of consideration. We may, perhaps, return to the question next month.

THE MEDICAL ACTS AMENDMENT

Some alarm was created among chemists by the report published of the passage through Committee in the House of Lords of the Medical Acts Amendment Bill. This was what was reported :-

On Clause 28 Lord Carlingford moved an amendment providing that anyone who practised for gain or professed to practise, or published his name as practising medicine or surgery, or received any payment for practising medicine or surgery, should be liable to a penalty of 201. Lord Mount-Temple opposed the amendment as being too stringent, but Lord Carlingford said it was really in the nature of a relaxation, and it was thereupon carried.

That was the report given by the Lancet. Turning to the British Medical Journal, we found a similar report, and an editorial reference to the amendment to the effect that it was the result of strong representations made to the Government by the Medical Reform Committee. The amendment, as thus framed, would have made nonsense of the whole Bill, as it would have rendered anyone, registered or not, doctor as well as chemist, liable to the 201. penalty if he should practise for gain. When the Bill was reprinted it appeared that Lord Carlingford had merely corrected some vagueness in the Bill as originally drafted. We give below the exact wording of the clause, showing the addition in brackets :-

On and after the aforesaid day, if any person, whether a registered medical practitioner or not [who practises for gain or professes to practise, or publishes his name as practising medicine or surgery, or receives any payment for practising medicine or surgery], takes or uses a medical title, which is by this Act not permitted to be entered on the register, he shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding 201.

The same clause provides a similar penalty for the unauthorised assumption of any medical title, but it clearly recognises throughout that unregistered persons may practise medicine for gain. The clause we have quoted seems to be directed against such people as the gentleman who called himself M.B., meaning medical botanist, or the American LLD. who used his doctorship to promote his medical reputation. Without qualifying words, it is possible that any LLD would be liable to the penalty if he were called Doctor.

The Apothecaries' Society have, it seems to us, good reason to complain of the action of the House of Lords in disfranchising them at the last stage of the Medical Bill in its passage through the House. The Bill had passed through Committee, and came on for third reading in the usual formal manner. Lord Salisbury thereupon moved that the number of members on the new Medical Board be reduced from seventeen to sixteen by removing the Society of Apothecaries from the board. Lord Camperdown, who was a member of the Royal Commission on the medical laws, supported the amendment. No one was present to speak a kind word for the Society, and Lord Carlingford said he was not in a position to present their case; he would, therefore, accept the amendment. Of course, an attempt will be made in the House of Commons to regain the representative, and it is said that the Apothecaries' Society were preparing to urge a claim for a larger share of representation than had been accorded them. They have supplied the country for many years with a large proportion of the most useful class of general medical practitioners, while it would be a puzzle equal to the traditional search for the needle in the bundle of hay to find the sufferers who have been relieved by practitioners from Oxford University, whence Lord Salisbury derives his mandate to speak on this question with any representative authority; and we much doubt whether the House of Commons will endorse this ungenerous academic exclusiveness.

The Bill in the House of Commons is in the charge of Mr. Mundella, Vice-President of the Privy Council, and was read a first time on May 2. The second reading will not be taken until after the Whitsuntide vacation. Meanwhile it has been "blocked" by Mr. Biggar, which will prevent its coming on after half-past twelve at night.

PREPARING A NEW BRITISH PHARMACOPŒIA.

THE General Medical Council have been in session in London during the past month, and among their business was the reception of a report from their Pharmacopoela Committee, which ran as follows:—

"The Pharmacopecia Committee appointed, at their first meeting, on July 8, 1882, a sub-committee, with power to take such steps as they thought necessary towards preparing a new edition of the Pharmacopecia, and to submit a report to a future meeting of the general committee. The sub-committee have reported that they held two meetings since their appointment, and that they have communicated with Professors Redwood, Bentley, and Attfield as to undertaking the duty of preparing a new edition of the Pharmacopecia under the direction of the committee. These gentlemen have submitted to the Pharmacopecia Committee a report, which, with certain modifications recommended by the sub-committee, has been approved of, and, as so amended, is appended hereto. The committee have arranged that the remuneration to Messrs. Redwood, Bentley, and Attfield is to be 800°, this sum to include the cost of any experiments requiring to be made, also the correction of the press and the preparation of an index, the work being

carried through the press to the satisfaction of the committee and the Medical Conneil. The committee, in conclusion, beg to state that it is their intention to apply to the several medical authorities, to the Paarmaceutical and Chemical Societies, and to such persons as may be likely to farnish useful information, with a view of making the work as complete and perfect as possible.

"RICHARD QUAIN, M.D., Chairman."

The other members of the Pharmacopæia Committee of the Medical Council are Dr. Aquilla Smith, Dr. Pitman, Mr. Macnamara, Mr. Bradford, Mr. Collins, and Dr. Haldane.

The proposals made by Professors Redwood, Bentley, and Attfield in the report alluded to above are naturally of considerable interest to pharmacists as well as to medical men. The object of the Medical Council must be to obtain as thoroughly satisfactory a work as can be compiled, and the present is therefore the time for suggestions made with a view to promote that object. The preliminary report now put forward, which we print in full on another page, is by no means exhaustive, and, as inti mated by the writers, does not touch the important subject of processes at all; it is, however, as far as it goes, quite satisfactory.

First, it is intended to slightly alter the nomenclature of chemical salts in accordance with the plan proposed some years ago by Professor Attfield, and adopted in the recent United States Pharmacopœia, so as to harmonise the names of salts with each other and with the later results of chemical investigation. That is, instead of potassæ sulphas, ammoniæ nitras, and so on, we shall in future say potassii sulphas and ammonii nitras, just as we say ferri sulphas, cupri sulphas, and so on, while in English we shall say sulphate of potassium instead of sulphate of potash, and not potassic sulphate, which would be more strictly in accordance with scientific system. It is intended to follow the new notation exclusively. In regard to the touchy question of the best method of stating proportions in formulæ the Professors have evidently done their best to please everybody. There are reasons for retaining in its ugly simplicity our present unorganised system of weights and measures; there are reasons for abandoning this for the mathematically pretty metric system; but there is no sort of sense or reason in throwing up both of these and adoping, as the Americans in a moment of weakness have done, the German plan of parts by weight entirely. It is certainly desirable that the British Pharmacopæia should be comprehensible and clear to foreigners as well as to Englishmen; but it would be a pity to inconvenience all English medical and pharmaceutical practitioners to attain that result. The method now suggested is to print the formulæ with the weights and measures as now used, and alongside to give the proportional parts, so expressed, however, that fluids shall be "parts by measure" and solids only "parts by weight," This will meet the requirements of those to whom avoirdupois weights and imperial measures are not familiar as household words, and cannot inconvenience anybody. Similarly, it is thought desirable to express temperatures according to both the Fahrenheit and Centigrade scales.

The revision of processes, the perfection of tests, and the more accurate descriptions of vegetable drugs will, of course, require a great deal of work and attention. The omissions of and additions to the substances and preparations of the Pharmacopoeia which these gentlemen at present think necessary are not so numerous as might have been expected. The subject will no doubt receive much attention in our journals during the next few months, and it is to be hoped that the united wisdom of British pharmacists will yield a Pharmacopoeia in no respect inferior to those of other nations where pharmacy has the reputation of being on a higher level.

AUSTRALIAN PHARMACEUTICAL CONFERENCE.

THE suggestion has been made by the Pharmaceutical Society of Victoria, and received very cordially by leading pharmacists in the other Australasian colonies, that Conference of representatives of the various pharmaceutical societies of the southern hemisphere be held at Sydney during this year, with a view of providing for reciprocal intercolonial registration, based on a mutually uniform system of education and examination. We do not pretend to be able to estimate fully the position occupied by our Australasian fellow-pharmacists, and of course we shall not presume to offer them any advice. But we clearly perceive that this Conference at Sydney, if held, as we hope it will be, will be an important epoch for Australian pharmacy, The Pharmaceutical Societies of Victoria, New South Wales, New Zealand, and Queensland are bodies which are dealing with a great future; the correspondence which we publish from those colonies, and which, we think, has helped to rouse a general interest in them, has shown clearly how earnestly and how ably the founders of these societies are working to establish in Australia conditions for pharmacy which shall make it honourable for those who practise it, and as useful as possible to the community generally. These men have a great opportunity; their countries are not so crowded that every privilege is watched with fierce jealousy; they have no ruts to get out of; they have all the world's experience to draw on; and they have wealth, and ability, and public spirit among themselves. Their meeting at Sydney will no doubt be the first of many intercolonial conferences, and it can bardly fail to encourage those who do work now, and infuse some energy into those who are as yet apathetic. British pharmacists will certainly follow the proceedings with interest, and as this journal is now almost as much an Australasian as an English publication, we shall have pleasure in reporting the transactions as we have reported the preliminaries of this Conference.

THE EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES ACT, 1883.

WE hear many complaints of the slow progress of business in the House of Commons, but this Act of Parliament shows that both branches of the Legislature can bestir themselves occasionally. Within nineteen hours after the introduction of the Bill it had passed through all its stages, received the Royal assent, and become established law.

Elsewhere we print the Home Office circular, in which (inter alia) cautions are addressed to chemists and others as to the sale to unknown individuals of materials capable of being used for explosive purposes. It may be useful to supplement this by an epitome of the principal provisions of the Act itself.

The operation of the Act is not confined to explosive substances properly so called, but extends to any materials for making any explosive substance; also to any apparatus, machine, implement, or materials used, or intended to be used, or adapted for causing or aiding in causing, any explosion, and any part of any such apparatus, machine, or implement; all of which are included in the definition of the expression "explosive substance."

The first offence created by the Act is punishable with penal servitude for life or for any less term (not being less than the minimum term allowed by law), or with imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for a term not exceeding two years. The offence is that of unlawfully and maliciously causing by any explosive substance an explosion of a nature likely to endanger life or to cause serious injury to property, whether any injury to person or property be actually caused or not. It will be perceived that the definition comprises abortive attempts at destruction, if a jury can be satisfied that the explosion was wilfully caused and was likely to cause the injury specified in the Act.

The next section comprises two offences, for which the maximum punishment is penal servitude for twenty years. It applies to all persons within the United Kingdom, whatever their nationality, and also to British subjects wherever they may be. The offences referred to are :- (1) Doing any act with intent to cause by an explosive substance, or conspiring to cause by an explosive substance, an explosion in the United Kingdom of a nature likely to endanger life or to cause serious injury to property. (2) Making, or having in his possession or under his control, any explosive substance with intent, by means thereof, to endanger life or to cause serious injury to property in the United Kingdom. or to enable any other person by means thereof to endanger life or cause serious injury to property in the United Kingdom. We give the full statutory description of these offences because of their importance. In both cases what is done must be done unlawfully and maliciously, and in both cases the offence will be complete although no explosion takes place, and no injury to person or property is caused. "Unlawfully," in this connection, explains itself; "maliciously" may be taken as almost equivalent to wilfully. Whenever any person wilfully attempts to injure the person or property of another, the law will imply malice. If he had no malice or illwill towards his intended victim he would not attempt to injure

The next section introduces a new departure, at variance with the established legal principle that persons are presumed to be innocent until they are proved guilty. The clause enacts that any person who makes, or knowingly has in his possession or under his control, any explosive substance, under such circumstances as to give rise to a reasonable suspicion that he is not making it, or does not have it in his possession or under his control, for a lawful object, shall, unless he can show that he made it, or had it in his possession or under his control, for a lawful object, be guilty of felony, and on conviction shall be liable to penal servitude for a term not exceeding fourteen years, or to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding two years, and the explosive substance shall be forfeited. The effect of this enactment is that if the suspicious circumstances are established the onus of proof is shifted from the prosecution to the accused person, and to enable him to meet this new state of the law any such person and his wife (if he be a married man), or her husband (if the accused be a married woman) may be called, sworn, examined, and cross-examined as an ordinary witness in the case, but only at their own option. The prosecution will not be able to call them as witnesses; and though it might sometimes be imprudent for them to tender evidence, it is likely that if any such persons were to refuse to be sworn their refusal might unfavourably influence the jury, though this would be of no importance if they could prove their innocence by independent testimony.

In order to go to the root of the matter, accessories before the fact are made liable to be tried and punished in the same manner as principals. This applies to all persons within the United Kingdom and British subjects abroad; and the overt acts include the supply of or solicitation for, money, the providing of premises, the supply of materials and in any manner whatever procuring, courselling, aiding or abetting the commission of any crime under the Act. It is under this section that chemists may be troubled.

Prosecutions and other proceedings under the Act are only to be taken with the consent of the Attorney-General, although an accused person may be remanded in custody by justices until the necessary consent can be obtained.

The supply of materials which might be used for the purpose of committing offences under the Act will require the exercise of vigilance by chemists, lest they should inadvertently expose themselves to the risk of being charged as accessories.

PHARMACISTS AND THE PHARMA-COPŒIA.

SOME prophet will soon have to tell the English nation that in all things they are getting too sentimental. grievances concerning which individuals lash themselves into fury, and which form the bulk of political discussions, are in nine cases out of ten sentimental. The secretary tribe lives on this innate sentimentality, and nourishes it with a fervour not to be surprised at. We should be sorry to scoff at this spirit, it is often the manifestation of a noble disinterestedness which keeps society from sinking altogether into the slough of selfishness, towards which the paths of idleness and indulgence inevitably lead. This generous sentimentality is always worthy of respect, even when we cannot sympathise with the objects aimed at. And a selfish sentimentality is not always to be condemned. Men have their rights and are justified in asserting them. But they must expect such claims to be rigidly examined when they ask the outside public to concede them.

The sentimentality which seems to have seized on the imagination of a number of pharmacists in respect of the compilation and revision of the British Pharmacopoeia is distinctly of the latter class. At least it is certainly not higher; it is doubtful whether it even reaches such a level. That is, it is not certain that what it calls its rights are rights at all. Several members of the Pharmaceutical Council, men who look on with philosophical equanimity when the apothecaries, the stores, or the public analysts try to smash up what little trade is left to chemists, are trembling with passion because the Medical Council and the House of Lords decline to submit to their dictation as to a perfectly fanciful right. The President of the Pharmaceutical Council has been to see the President of the Privy Council about this "right," and the best he could say of his interview was that the Lord President "listened to him patiently." Lord Carlingford evidently found it difficult to diagnose the grievance presented to him.

What is this right for the assertion of which Mr. Greenish urges that "the House of Commons should be flooded with petitions," and Mr. Hampson would use "all legitimate and constitutional means," for which Mr. Symes would "go any reasonable length," while Mr. Schacht would throw a way diplomacy, and go boldly before the authorities, letting all the world know what is demanded? The "just claim" is, that pharmacists as such should have a legal, representative position on the committee or board to which it may be decided to entrust the publication of a National Pharmacopæia. The arguments in favour of this course have been stated over and over again, but we repeat them once more. They are (a) that pharmacists are so recognised in other European countries, while in the United States they actually form a majority of the Pharmacopæia Commission; (b) that the technical knowledge necessary to ensure a good Pharmacopeia is essentially that which a pharmacist has acquired; and (e) that as the Pharmacy Act and the Sale of Food and Drugs Act take the Pharmacopæia as declaring a standard

of purity, the principle of representative government demands that pharmacists should have an authoritative voice in fixing that standard.

We have the sincerest sympathy with the objects of the gentlemen who are urging these claims so vigorously. We think nothing but good would come if pharmacists were officially admitted to a share of the work. But the only question we are now considering is, whether they can reasonably claim such admission as a right. We have always failed to see that they can, and we are driven to think that the unusual energy of the Pharmaceutical Council in this cause may, to some extent, be regarded as supplementing their obviously deficient arguments. If pharmacists cannot make out a "just claim" to the position they demand, surely it would be sensible of them to recognise that fact before they engage in the sentimental enterprise to which they are invited of flooding the House of Commons with petitions. The Pharmacopæia is essentially a formulary which physicians have agreed to publish in order to make it easy for them to write, and for others to dispense, their prescriptions. No one is compelled to become a dispenser of doctors' prescriptions; but the law stipulates that anyone who does undertake that duty shall perform it in accordance with the recognised Pharmacopæia. How can pharmacists have a "right" to come between physicians and their prescriptions? That pharmacists alone are competent to prepare a satisfactory Pharmacopœia is true enough, and the Medical Council admit that fact and employ pharmaceutical experts to carry out the pharmaceutical work. But they are obviously within their right in claiming to be sole arbiters of what shall and what shall not appear in their formulary. That pharmacists in other countries are appointed on the Pharmacopæia Commissions is about equivalent as an argument to the child's cry for a Noah's Ark because the little boy next door has got one. Moreover, it should be remembered that in Europe pharmacists are appointed to do the work because they are looked upon as the servants of the State, while in the United States anybody, or any individual, may prepare a formulary and get it recognised as a national Pharmacopæia if he can. In reply to the last argument, it is sufficient to say that if the recognition of the Pharmacopæia in the Sale of Food and Drugs Act gives chemists the right to be represented in the revision of the Pharmacopœia, it gives grocers a similar right. The same Act provides for a reference to the Inland Revenue chemists. Is it a breach of the British Constitution that pharmacists are not officially represented at Somerset House? No onc less than ourselves wishes to oppose the fair claims

of chemists. But we see no good at all in going to war with weapons which cannot be trusted. We are asked to join in opposing the Medical Acts Amendment Bill unless we can enforce the concession demanded. Most seriously we urge chemists not to put themselves in this false position. The Medical Acts Amendment Bill contains nothing to injure pharmacists or to call for their opposition; if passed, it will be a good Act for chemists, as it repeals the vexatious clause in the Apothecaries Act, under which prosecutions have been, and may again be, undertaken for acts which chemists perform every day. And we are to oppose the Bill unless we can get this recent whim gratified! If the case had been much stronger than it is, the present would not have been a well-chosen time for forcing on a quarrel with the medical profession. A new Pharmacy Bill may come forward before long, and the doctors would naturally take some interest in that. If we do not get their support in that we shall at least be glad of their benevolent neutrality. When the Medical Council really love us they will invite pharmacists to take some part in forming the Pharmacopœia; hut no Act of Parliament will make them love us.

FRENCH PHARMACEUTICAL LEGIS-LATION.

In March last we alluded to a proposed law submitted to the French Chambers by two deputies of the Extreme Left, MM. Delattre and Frehault, on the "police of pharmacy." We then quoted the remarks made on this proposition by a Paris newspaper; we have since received a copy of the document itself, and find it of sufficient general interest to make it worthy of attention. The proposition, we may mention, is a rival to one submitted by another deputy, a M. Faure, which latter is more directly conceived in the interest of pharmaciens. All the Bills submitted to the Chambers relating to this subject have now heen sent to a Pharmaceutical Commission.

A French bill, or "proposition de loi," is generally prefaced with an interesting "Exposé des motifs." It is with this explanation of the purposes of the Bill that we are concerned.

The authors hegin hy asking the pointed question, "Is the public made for pharmacy, or is pharmacy made for the public?" Such a question, they say, is not impertinent in view of the numerous propositions which have come hefore the Chamber, emanating from various groups of pharmaciens. M. Faure's Bill they especially criticise. He would interdict the liherty of the press by forhidding the advertisement of medicaments if they are recommended as curative. He would abrogate the permission given to doctors to supply medicines in communes where there is no pharmacy, and would only allow it where a pharmacien does not reside within six kilometres. He would require Government sanction for every medicine hefore it might be sold. He would perpetuate the Imperial system of two classes of pharmaciens-as if in a democracy there could he two classes of patients. In this and other respects, they conclude, the authors of the various propositions submitted have not heen able to free themselves from the influence of professional interests.

A law can only he justified in so far as it aims to promote the general interest. Its objects ought never to he the interest or the prestige of individuals, nor the consideration of any "caste," however interesting. A monopoly is an infringement of liherty and equality, and can only he justified by the clearly demonstrated requirements of public order. Does the general interest, then, justify the maintenance of the monopoly in the sale of medicines which pharmaciens at present enjoy? The authors helieve that it does.

They say the syndicate of French pharmaciens are ready to accept the absolute freedom of their commerce, and they do not demand it only hecause their interests in this matter are so closely associated with those of the medical profession. It would be difficult to conceive a free pharmacy with rigorous laws against the illegal practice of medicine.

Nearly all nations have recognised the necessity of this monopoly. In Germany it is far more rigorous than in France. The pharmacien there is a Government official, and in a town of 10,000 inhahitants enjoys the complete monopoly of the preparation and sale of medicines, and gains his thirty or forty thousand francs a year. He has a similar position in Sweden and Norway. In free England a series of regulations tend to organise the monopoly of pharmacy more and more precisely. In Spain monopoly is fortified by three grades: the bachelors, licentiates, and doctors. The

doctorate of pharmacy is conferred with great solemnity and with triumphal marches. In Italy great abuses are leading the Legislature to the creation of a privileged class, and even the love of liberty in the United States has not prevented the tendency towards a similar limitation develop; ing itself.

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French history shows very remarkahly the same necessity. In the middle ages the grocer-apothecaries obtained a Royal ordonnance granting them the privilege to sit on the right of the altar at the mass of St. Nicholas their patron saint, while the ordinary grocers from whom they had separated themselves had to sit on the left.

The authors then quote the oath of the apothecaries, which we printed in our previous notice. They give it, they remark, in order to remind legislators of to-day that their work may he criticised by their successors five hundred years hence.

Continuing, they refer to the ordonnance of 1777, which limited the privileges of the Royal pharmaciens and created the school which was to become so honoured hy its eminent students, and then come to the Revolution of 1789, which in one day upset all the monopolies and privileges and close corporations of centuries. Freedom of commerce was everywhere instituted, and the Revolution maintained it energetically against all the efforts of the reactionnaries, except in one instance. Very little time after abuses in the affairs of pharmacy became so serious that something had to be done. There was no time to make new laws, and the Government simply re-enacted the old Royal ordonnances, and under them pharmacy was governed all through the revolutionary period. It was not till "germinal" of the year XI, that the law was promulgated which, with certain modifications. still exists, and of which the essence was regulation, privilege, monopoly.

The authors hope that in twenty or thirty years to come general knowledge of hygiene, chemistry, and natural history will have so far developed that pharmaceutical monopoly may he no longer needed; hut so long as doctors of the Faculty of Medecine of Paris write such prescriptions as "Take two spoonfuls of Lourdes water every morning," or "mica panis argentea," they think the time has not come to ahandon the policy of the Iegislators of the Revolution.

Their proposals are mainly these: First, to aholish the grade of pharmaciens of the second class (respecting existing rights, however), and thus to ensure a highly-educated body of men spread all over France, in the hope that these will help to make hygienic and chemical knowledge general.

Second, to give the pharmacien the right to sell whatever medicines the public may demand of him, with the exception of certain poisons to he specifically named. They helieve that every citizen of a Republic ought to have the liherty of physicking himself, at his own risk, as may seem good to him, without the necessity of first calling in a physician. The old law on this point they declare neither is nor can be enforced.

Third, to suppress quackery. To this end they would enforce the law against secret remedies. Every citizen ought to know what he is doing, and every patient ought to know what he is taking. They do not object to the advertisement of specialties, but they demand that pharmaciens should be responsible for all they sell. They ought themselves to prepare all their medicines, or at least ought to he ahle to analyse them.

Among the details of their Bill they propose that the Government should send a commission of examiners to the centres where pharmacy is taught, to award diplomas.

They give freedom to women to obtain diplomas.

They prohibit partnerships in pharmacy except between

They object energetically to the suppression of herbalists, and they limit the monopoly of pharmacists to the officinal medicaments of the Codex.

They have no objection to pharmacists engaging in another business, provided they do so quite separately from their pharmacy, and they see no reason why a man holding both the pharmaceutical and medical diplomas should not practise both professions.

On the vexed question whether pharmacists should have the exclusive right of preparing veterinary medicines, they conclude that, as "our inferior brethren" do not prepare their own remedies, and as the manipulation does not involve a less degree of knowledge, the privilege ought to be restricted to pharmaciens.

There is one other point in this proposition which demands especial attention in this place. MM. Delattre and Frebault propose that " No one shall exercise the profession of pharmacien unless he is French, and provided with a diploma as pharmacien, obtained in France. Exception to this clause shall only be made for foreigners by virtue of diplomatic treaties based on complete reciprocity." Concerning this the authors say, "In its relations with foreign nations pharmacy should stand on a footing of perfect reciprocity. In Germany, for example, the number of concessions is limited, while other countries are overrun with emigrant pharmaciens. Let us be hospitable: but let us not be imposed upon. Let us offer reciprocal conventions : but let us not forget that fair exchange should regulate the dealings of nations as well as of individuals." This country, at any rate, could offer perfect reciprocity, as our regulations make no objection to any Frenchman passing our examinations and carrying on business here. But if the clause quoted should ever become law, we suppose a "diplomatic treaty ' in reference to pharmacy would be called for.

MR. G. W. SANDFORD has given notice of his intention to move at the annual meeting of the Pharmaceutical Society--

That in the opinion of this meeting certain provisions set forth in the proposed Bill to regulate the sale of poisons and alter and amend the Pharmacy Acts require alteration, especially clauses 4 and 5, which render retail vendors of patent or proprietary medicines, who have not and cannot have any centrol over the required labelling of such medicines, liable to prosecution for insufficient labelling, for which offence the proprietors only should be and can be made responsible.

THE Committee of the Vienna International Pharmaceutical Exhibition have secured two concessions: first, that all goods sent to the Exhibition shall be admitted duty free, though if sold the duty must be paid; and, secondly, that all such goods will be returned free of charge by the Austrian railways to the frontier.

An account of a recent dining of Lynn (Mass.) druggists has been set to the following stately verse:—

A number of druggists of Lynn Went in a body to dine at an inn; For fear they might want 'em, They took of liquers a quantum, And in the morning their heads were achin'.

PROFESSOR TICHBORNE seems to consider that the selection of Englishmen exclusively as editors of the new Pharmacopocia is one of the usual manifestations of Saxon tyranny, and he points significantly in the Irish Pharmaceutical Council to the Home Rule banner outside. He might in fairness remember that the Pharmacopocia Committee of the Medical Council, who appointed these editors, consists of seven members, three of whom are Irish representatives, and one of them is his own vice-president.

THE Pharmaceutical Council waxed warm over the alleged disloyalty of the professors of their school in accepting from the Medical Council the task of preparing the new Pharmacopoia. The indignation may be quite properly placed for anything we know; but first of all the question put by Mr. Young ought to be distinctly answered; did any member of the Council know of the communications passing between the professors and the Medical Council? We observe that the question was not replied to, and we also notice that Mr. Groenish said the professors had not given any official intimation of their engagement. The ethical question is likely to be a nice one; but clearly the case is altered considerably if any members of the Council were informed of what was going on. An official intimation from the professors to the Council would have been very much like asking permission, and we presume the gentlemen in question do not think it necessary to make any such application.

Ir would seem as if the Medical Council really intended to pay the Pharmaceutical Society a compliment by entrusting the work of the Pharmacoptica to the three professors of the School of Pharmacy. They intimate further that it is their intention to directly ask the Pharmaceutical Society for suggestions, and though that application had not heen received when the Pharmaceutical Council last met, it would no doubt have arrived in due course. Perhaps a Council meeting immediately following the dinner next week will be the best means of restoring peace and happiness all round.

THE Law Officers of the Crown in Ireland seem to have no intention of taking their salaries without earning them. They have a pretty extensive business on hand in their match with Mr. Tynan and his myrmidons; but they would not seem to be short of leisure to judge from the extraordinary resolution they have drawn up for the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland, which is printed in our report of that body. Persons who wish to learn how to write the English language with propriety may consult that lesson; but we may remark that if public bodies ever come to draw up their resolutions after the fashion of this model one, the world itself will not contain the minute-books which will be compiled in consequence.

WE have already reported some proceedings in the case of Williams v. Bignoid. Williams & Co, were paint manufacturers and mixers at Manchester, who insured against fire in the Norwich Union Insurance Company. One clause in the policy provided that the insurers should not manufacture varnish. Their premises were burnt, but the Insurance Company refused to pay, on the ground that Messrs. Williams had infringed their policy by the manufacture of Frunswich black. The case has been previously tried on the question if Brunswick black is varnish, and it came on again on April 14 in the Supreme Court of Judicature, before Mr. Baron Pollock and a special jury. After deliberating for an hour and a quarter, the jury gave a verdict in favour of the plaintiffs, Messrs. Williams.

WE have been asked to urge chemists and druggists to attend the adjourned meeting of the National Traders' League, to be held at the Cannon Street Hotel, on the 22nd inst., at 1 P.M. The League, whose offices are at 27 Leadenhall Street, aims "to legislatively suppress trading by Government officials; to obtain a more equitable distribution and reduction of the excessive burden of taxation inflicted upon traders particularly; to maintain and uphoid the just and lawful interests of traders generally; and to agitate for a substantial reduction in the exorbitant national expenditure, now amounting to 85,000,000f., the bulk committee of this League that waited upon Mr. Peter Rylands, as we mentioned last month. It was organised among the grocers, but it is desired to include all traders who sympathise with the objects.

DURING the passage of the Medical Acts Amendment Bill through committee of the House of Lords on April 19,

Lord Carlingford proposed several verbal amendments with the object of taking care that foreign countries, or colonies, should not make use of the powers contained in the Bill for the purpose of obtaining the advantages therein without giving this country corresponding advantages. Whereupon the Marquis of Salisbury, commenting on this tendency to fair trade, remarked that some drugs were absolutely prohibited in foreign countries, not because they were bad, but because they were prepared out of the country. He thought it might be possible to remedy this defect. Lord Carlingford said he did not think they had anything to do with drugs in the Bill. If he had charge of a Pharmaceutical Bill?

MR. LIGHTLY SIMPSON, who died in London on April 19, at the age of seventy-four, and was the senior director of the Great Eastern Railway Company, and at one time its chairman, was many years ago a Manchester pharmacist. A native of Yorkshire, Mr. Simpson upon coming to Manchester entered the service of Mr. Gaulter, druggist, in Piccadilly. Subsequently, more than half a century since, he commenced business on his own account in Princess Street. Here he attracted the élite of the town, and, realising a handsome apprentice and now well-known successor, Mr. Thomas Ransome. During the palmy days of the "Railway King" Mr. Simpson embarked some of his savings in "scrip," in which he was reputed to have been fairly successful. At an early period of his history he joined the board of the East Anglian Railway, on which he served successively as director, deputy-chairman, and chairman. About 1850 he became a director of the Eastern Counties Railway Company, then under the chairmanship of Mr. David Waddington, M.P. In 1870 he was elected deputy-chairman of the Great Eastern board under the chairmanship of Viscount Cranborne, now Marquis of Salisbury. Upon the resignation of the Marquis, Mr. Simpson was elected his successor, a position which he held for some time.



Tapemorms: their Sources, Varieties, and Treatment. With 180 cases. By T. Spencer Cobbold, M.D., F.R.S. Fourth edition. London: Longmans, Green & Co. 1883. Pp. 133.

DR. SPENCER COBBOLD is known wherever domestic animals are scientifically considered. Only last year he published in the Transactions of the Linnean Society an important paper on the parasites of elephants. In the book before us he states that, besides several separate works, his published

papers on parasites number not less than 200.

In this little treatise he confines his attention to a single genus of intestinal parasites infesting man. This genus has received the two names Tevita and Bothriocephalus, and thirteen distinct species have been found in different quarters of the globe. Two only are of common occurrence in Great Britain. All the species are curious from the fact that during one complete generation each passes through at least two different forms in two distinct hosts. The two commonest species pass the first period of their life in the pig and the ox, producing measled pork and measled beet; when this is eaten the worms develop themselves in the human intestines, and then only become capable of sexual reproduction. By thorough cooking even measled flesh becomes innocuous by the destruction of the verms.

Innocuous by the destruction of the germs.

Dr. Cobbold avoids religiously all attempt at scientific description and discrimination of the species. He admits that "the ordinary druggist's assistant can very well perform the function of prescribing and making up a male-fern mixture," but claims that the proper management of tape-

worm cases is largely dependent upon an accurate knowledge of the structure, habits, and general economy of this singular class of parasites (p. 43). He gives particulars of 180 cases, and remarks that hardly one has come to him that has not been treated by other practitioners and abandoned in despair. Of those that were actually infested by the worm five-sixths were absolutely cured—a strong confirmation of his claims.

The point Dr. Cobbold insists on is that treatment should not be abandoned until the head of the parasite. is secured. Every particle of faces passed should be carefully scrutinised, and the treatment must be varied and repeated until the easily-overlooked head rewards the practitioner's diligence.

Not the least singular part of the subject is the large proportion of patients who consult Dr. Cobbold for the removal of parasites which have no existence. Out of 152 unselected cases alluded to no less than 46 were delusive; that is, the patient had either never suffered or had long been delivered from this plague.

The temiafuge on which Dr. Cobbold mainly relies is oleoresin of male fern.

A "RETURN of the rates of import duty levied in the United States upon the principal articles of the produce and manufactures of the United Kingdom under the present Customs Tariff, and of the rates proposed to be levied under the New Tariff Act, passed March 3, 1883," has been prepared by the Board of Trade, and published by Messrs. Spottiswoode, Queen's printers, price 4d. The rates of duty are printed in parallel columns, conveniently classified.

"THE MINUTES of the General Medical Council, of its Executive Committee, and of the English Branch Council for the year 1883," have been published by Messrs. Spottiswoode & Co. As the session of the Council only closed on April 26, and as this report was received by us on May 7, in a bound form, and compiled in a most convenient manner, it must be admitted that the secretarial work of the Council is performed with ability and despatch not always met with in official departments.

Our friends, the proprietors of the Tropical Agriculturist, published at Colombo, Ceylon, have sent us a few copies of that journal for distribution among persons interested in the subjects it discusses. The Tropical Agriculturist is a repertory of information on all matters relating to the cultivation of cinhona, cocoa, coffee, cardamoms, &c. We shall be glad to send these specimens to first applicants. Those who do not receive a copy will please understand that our supply is exhausted.

Personalities.

A BARONETCY has been conferred on Mr. T. Spencer Wells.

Mr. MARCUSSEN'S business at 246 Commercial Road, Old Kent Road, S.E., has been sold to Mr. Fox, through the agency of Messrs. Taylor & Co., of 38 Walbrook, E.C.

MR. W. C. West's business at Deptford Road, Rotherhithe, has been disposed of to Mr. Rowe (late of Redruth), through the agency of Messrs, Taylor & Co., of Walbrook Chambers.

Mr. WM. BEATON'S business at 51A, High Street, Camden Town, has been sold to Mr. Geo. Blunt, through the agency of Messrs. Taylor & Co.

MR. R. C. EDWARDES' business at 6 Lower Tulse Hill, S.W., has been sold to Mr. Jno. Edmunds (late of Shepherd's Bush), through the agency of Messrs. Taylor & Co., of Walbrook, London.

MR. E. STEPHENS, who represented Messrs. Whitaker & Grossmith for twenty-one years in London and the Southwest of England, has become a representative of the Crown Perfumery Company.

DR. JAMES MATTHEWS DUNCAN has been appointed one of the Crown representatives on the General Medical Council in place of Sir William Gull, who, as we mentioned last month, has resigned.

GENERAL GRANT evidently does not hold the same medical faith as Prince Bismarck. Asked to sign the petition in favour of making all physicians equal before the law in the Government service, he said he would "give homocopaths no encouragement, directly or indirectly,"

MEDICAL HUMOUR.

"Do you believe in ghosts?" asked a lady of one of our celehrated surgeons, at a dinner the other day. "I should he sorry to helieve in them, madam," was the reply. "Sorry! and why?" asked the lady. "Because if I did," rejoined the surgeon, "I should never dare to practise my profession."

OUR friend J. is the picture of health, 6 feet high, and broad in proportion; but he is somewhat nervous when his liver gets at all out of sorts. He went to consult, the other Her gets at all out or sorts. He went to consult, the other day, a physician, who has as much reputation for his humour as for his science. "What do you chielly complain of?" asked Mr. D. "I have lost my appetite," answered the invalid, in a voice which almost made the windows rattle. "Mercy!" sollloquised the doctor; "I hope no poor man happens and the science of has found it."

Chambers' Journal tells the story of an Irish student who appeared before an Examining Board to undergo an examination in medical jurisprudence. "Pray, sir," the examiner to the candidate, "what is a poisonous dose of prussic acid?" After cogitating for a moment, the student replied with promptitude, "Half an ounce, sir!" Horrified at the extreme ignorance of the candidate, the examiner exclaimed, "Half an ounce! Why, sir, you must be dreaming! That is an amount which would poison a community, sir, not to speak of an individual!" "Well, sir," replied the Hibernian, "I only thought I'd he on the safe side when you asked a poisonous dose!" "But, pray, sir," continued the examiner, intent on ascertaining the candidate's real knowledge, "suppose a man did swallow half an ounce of prussic acid, what treatment would you prescribe?" "I'd ride home for a stomach-pump," replied the unabashed student. "Are you aware, sir," retorted the examiner, "that prussic acid is a poison which acts with great rapidity?" "Well, yes," replied the student. "Then, sir, suppose you rode home for your stomach-pump; and on returning you found your patient dead What would you do then?" asked the examiner, in triumph, thinking he had driven his victim into a corner whence there was no escape. "What would I do?" reiterated the student. "Do?—why, I'd hould a post-mortem!"

FRENCH CORRESPONDENCE.

- The Dean of the Faculty of Medicine of the Paris University reports that during the academic year 1881-2 there were 39 female students regularly following the medical course, subsequent to the Preliminary, Scientific, and Literary examinations. They were of the following nationalities:—11 English, 10 French, 9 Russian, 5 American, and I each Hungarian, Pole, Roumanian, and Indian.

— The letter mentioned last month as having heen written by the murderer Fenayron to his wife has been

since declared to be apocryphal.

- At Cognac (Charente), last month, the porter of a pharmacien, M. Ordonneau, went into a cellar with a lighted candle, when a violent explosion occurred, which hlew out the front of the shop ahove. The report says that there were in the cellar vessels containing benzine, ether, and alcohol, and that it is supposed an explosive atmosphere had been formed, from which it is to be presumed that these substances were kept in imperfectly closed vessels.

The Minister of Puhlic Instruction has organised a mission to the Regency of Tunis charged with botanical researches. The party is to be under the direction of M. Casson, member of the Institute, and will be accompanied hy several of the preparers of plants at the museums.

The Minister of Public Instruction has also authorised another scientific commission, somewhat after the character of the English Challenger expedition. This commission will sail in the Talisman, and is charged to dredge in the Atlantic, especially round the Cauary Islands, the Azores, &c. M. Alphonse Milne Edwards, member of the Institute, will be the president of the expedition, and among those who will accompany him is M. C. Bronguiart, "preparateur" at the School of Pharmacy.

- A shocking accident occurred this month at the works of the Pharmacie Centrale at St. Denis, a workman, thirty-seven years of age, having hy some means unknown fallen into a vat of hoiling acid. He was got out with great difficulty; his flesh fell off in rags; and, after heing transported to the hospital, he expired in great agony.

— A Paris druggist named Vasey has been condemned to a

week's imprisonment and 2,000f. damages, for repeated sales of morphine to a Madame Junot, amounting in 17 months to 693 grammes. His customer at first presented the medical prescription, without which no poisonous drug can legally be supplied in France, and on her second purchase produced the same prescription, but after this she went constantly to the shop without producing any prescription, and she is now in a lunatic asylum. The husband then took proceedings, and has recovered damages.

- M. Menier, son of the late wholesale druggist, chocolate merchant, and Deputy, has lately hought the château of Malnone, erected by Nelaton, the eminent surgeon, together with an estate of 150 hectares, for the sum of 500,000f.

The furniture and stock of M. Bravais' pharmacy, in the Avenue de l'Opera, were sold by auction last month, and now the pharmacy of "the late" M. Aubert, the victim of the Fenayrou pair, is announced for sale.

Gbituary.

ANDERTON.—On March 24, Mr. John Anderton, chemist and druggist, Northgate, Halifax. Aged 60 years.

BAKER .-- On April 21, Mr. Thomas Baker, chemist and druggist, Islip Street, Kentish Town, London. Aged 41

BROCK .- On April 7, Mr. George Walter Brock, chemist and druggist, Chelmondiston, Suffolk. Aged 43 years.

DRURY .- On April 12, Mr. George Samuel Drury, chemist and druggist, Parrock Street, Milton. Aged 50 years.

Howell.-On April 8, Mr. William Howell, chemist and druggist, King's Lynn. Aged 29 years.

HURST.—On April 13, Mr. John Becket Hurst, pharmaceutical chemist, Market Place, Louth. Aged 36 years.

HUTCHINSON.—In April, Mr. Charles Herhert Hutchinson, formerly assistant curator in the Pharmaceutical Society's Museum, and subsequently assistant to Professor Armstrong. Aged 24 years. Mr. Hutchinson, after studying chemistry at 17 Bloomsbury Square, attended the laboratory of Professor Fresenius, in Germany, and great hopes were entertained of his scientific future.

MARTIN.-On April 10, Mr. Frederick Robertson Martin, pharmaceutical chemist, Clevedon. Aged 40 years.

PAIGE.—On April 6, Mr. John Allan Paige, chemist and druggist, South Street, South Molton. Aged 79 years.

REAY .- On April 2, Mr. John Reay, chemist and druggist, St. Bees, Cumherland. Aged 54 years.

WATKINS .- On March 21, Mr. John Watkins, chemist and druggist, High Street, Ahergavenny. Aged 53 years.

WILSON.-On April 8, Mr. George Wilson, chemist and druggist, Cathcart Street, Greenock. Aged 53 years.

MARRIAGES.

BARON—ROBINSON.—May 9, at the Friends' Meeting House, Plymouth, Barcley J. Baron, M.B., C.M., of 12 Richmond Hill, Clifton, Biistol, son of Josiah Baron, of Plymouth, to Janey, elder daughter of Winfield Rohinson, chemist, of Torrhill House, Ivybridge.

HUNT—BARKER.—May 7, at Ebenezer Wesleyan Chapel, Plymouth, by the Rev. W. H. Cave, Freeman W. Hunt, pharmaceutical chemist, of the firm of Clare & Hunt, of Scarborough, to Emily, third daughter of N. Barker, 8 Caprera Terrace, Plymouth.

Foreign and Colonial.

AMERICAN LINT.—Messrs. Seabury & Johnson, of New York, have just established lint-works, the first in America. They have secured the services of the inventor and patentee of linting machinery in England.

A LARGE ORDER.—A tobacco factory at St. Petersburg has received a Government order for 30,000,000 of cigarettes, which are to be distributed among the troops and the people on the occasion of the Czar's coronation. These will require about 20 tons of tobacco.

CINCHONA IN BENGAL.—The Government cinchona plantations in Bengal yielded a net cash profit in 1882 of 130,000 rupees, besides an estimated saving of 350,000 rupees on the cost of quinine for the troops. The original outlay on those plantations was 1,300,000 rupees. The profit on the enterprise is, therefore, nearly 38 per cent.

POISONING BY GELSEMINUM.—A sailor, employed about the United States Government Marine Hospital, on March 5 asked the man on duty at the drug store to let him drink some gentian. The man, knowing that he had been in the habit of doing this, did not demur. The sailor took the gelseminum bottle by mistake, and drank about half an ounce. On reaching New York he became very lil, and died when taken back to the hospital, in spite of the efforts of the physicians.

Poisonous Colours.—A decree, prohibiting poisonous colouring of certain articles of food, came into operation in Germany on April 1. Poisonous colours within the meaning of the Act are any containing antimony, arsenic, barium (except sulphate of baryla), lead, chromium (except pure chromic oxide), cadmium, copper, mercury (excepting cinnabar), zinc, tin, gamboge, pieric acid. The use of packings coloured with any of the above is likewise prohibited, and, except in certain varnishes, these must not be used for colouring playthings. The use of colours prepared with arsenic for the manufacture of paper-hangings, as well as that of pigments containing copper prepared with arsenic, and of matters containing similar colours for the manufacture of materials of teres, is prohibited.

BANKRUPTCIES AND LIQUIDATIONS.

Re WILLIAM LONG, Chemist and Druggist, Colesbill Street, Birmingham.

AT the Birmingham Court, last month, Mr. Powell, on behalf of Messrs. Harris & Co., wholesale chemists, of Bull Ring, applied to set aside a restraining order made by Mr. Registrar Parry against his clients. Messrs. Harris had obtained judgment against the debtor, and the affidavits they had filed showed that on April 5 judgment was signed, and an execution was issued on the 7th. As to what took place between the 7th and 10th of the month he was in the dark, but on the 10th, three days after the execution was issued, a bailiff went to the debtor's house, some conversation took place, and the bailiff, at the request of the debtor, left. His Honour said he must have some explanation why the execution, which was said to be issued on the 7th, was not levied until the 10th. Mr. Powell said that was one question he wanted his Honour to have an inquiry made into. Mr. Powell added that on the mornings of the 11th and 12th the bailiff went again, but left on being requested to do so by the debtor. It might be said that no possession was taken at all, but he should urge that the possession was taken at an our he stoud trige that the possession taken on the 10th was a legal possession, and that it was in force when the petition was filed. His clients were profoundly dissatisfied with this state of things. His Honour: They cannot be otherwise. Mr. Powell: We have all possible respect for the high bailiff, but undoubtedly there must be people about him whom he cannot always control, and there is a suspicion of collusion between the bailiffs and the debtor. Honour: Not only is there ground for suspicion, but collusion has been more than once proved between subordinates and the debtors. The high bailiff, in answer to his Honour,

said he knew nothing of the case. The debtor was examined and said that on the 10th Inst. two bailiffs, named Wilson and Richards, went to his shop to levy for Messrs. Harris's debt. One of them asked if he could pay the money, and he said he could not for a day or two. Wilson gave him a piece of paper and went away, leaving Richards in possession. Richards remained half an hour. He (the debtor) told him he did not want him sitting in the shop and he had better go. He gave Richards a shilling and he went away. The next morning Richards went to the shop, and he (the debtor) gave him another shilling. Richards stayed a few minutes and then went away. On the following morning he came and received a third shilling. Charles Wilson and Albert Richards were examined, and the judge, after referring to cases on the subject, said that he must dismiss the motion. Mr. Powell's clients, however, had their remedy against the high bailiff. There had been gross and culpable negligence on the part of the persons he employed, and for whom he was responsible.

JOHN SAMBELL.

THE first meeting of the creditors of John Sambell, of Redruth, chemist and grocer, was held at the offices of Messrs. J. L. & T. C. Peter, solicitors, Redruth, on April 18, Mr. Henry Paige presiding. The statement of affairs showed:—Liabilities: Unsecured creditors, 1,973l. 9s. 3d.; creditors fully secured, 211l. 11s. 8d.; creditors for rent, taxes, &c., 39l. 1s. 3d. Assets: Stock-in-trade, estimated at 17tl. 15s. 4d.; book debts, 60d. 3s. 11d.; cash, 51l. 15s. 2d.; furniture, &c., 166l. 10s. 6d.; other properties, 34l. 10s.; value of securities, 28ll.; showing a deficiency of 1,38kl. 7s. 3d. It was resolved to liquidate by arrangement.



SAVAR'S MAY BLOSSOM SPECIALTIES.

MESSRS. EVANS, SONS & Co., of Liverpool, and Evans, Lescher & Webb, of London, who work the business in Savar's numerous sundries, have added a new line to the extensive series of toilet preparations already known to the trade under that mark. These consist of a perfume, a soap, 6d. and 1s. pomades, ditto tooth-powder, and ditto tooth-pastes, all distinguished as "May blossom" articles, and all very really permeated with that delightful odour. Under the present conditions of weather and climate there seems very little prospect of our getting the perfume this year by nature's processes, which makes this series of specialties a touching memorial of those happy days of the past when the sun really did shine in May. The quality of these goods is excellent, and they are labelled and finished in a most tasteful style.

BARFF & WIRE'S LIQUID MEAT.

This new dietetic product is prepared by a process invented by Professor Barff, and is manufactured by Messrs. Barff & Wire, the Kreochyle Company, Leytonstone. The special characteristic claimed for the article is that it is a cooked preparation, but retains all the albumen of the meat, we presume, in the form of a peptone. This liquid meat is a thin fluid of a brown colour, and a slight, pleasant meaty flavour. Under ordinary conditions it seems to keep well, at least for a short time, even after the bottle has been opened.

[&]quot;THE SIXPENNY WIRE."—An enterprising firm of soapboilers mean to avail themselves of the sixpenny telegraph system directly it comes into operation. I am told that they will send out 50,000 messages saying that all the best families use their soap.—County Gentleman.

CHEMIST AND DAUGUSI.

Trade Hotes.

MESSRS, BRATBY & HINCHLIFFE, aërated water engineers, of Manchester, London, and Philadelphia, have just completed extensions of their fruit essence manufacturing plant.

MESSRS. H. W. J. INCE & Co., of Dudley, are now the Supply Stores Association (Limited), with office at 218 Market Place, Dudley, Mr. H. W. J. Ince managing director and secretary.

Mr. R. J. Fullwood, of the Steam Annatto Works, 31 Bevenden Street, Hoxton, E., has retired from business and has made arrangements with his son, Mr. Alfred H. Fullwood, and Mr. Charles Bland, who have purchased the business, and will carry it on under the style of R. J. Fullwood and C. Bland.

WITH a capital of 25,000%, in 1% shares, the Beef Wine Company (Limited) has been formed for the purpose of purchasing the business of the proprietary articles registered as "Beef Wine" and "Vinum Vita," which has been carried on for the last five years at 115 Aldersgate Street, London, E.C. The purchase money is 5,000l.

EMERY'S INFALLIBLE OINTMENT, advertised in these pages, is stated to be a family remedy which has been in regular use for 250 years. As it has never failed during that period, it is considered that a sufficient preliminary experiment has been made. Testimonials as to its efficacy in cases of wounds and sores have been submitted to us.

MESSRS, TYPKE & KING have commenced business at 110 Cannon Street, as man ufacturing chemists and dealers in chemicals. Mr. Typke has superintended several large chemical works, and Mr. King has gained experience with Messrs. Dunn & Co., Messrs. Burgoyne & Co., and Messrs. Forster & Gregory.

NEW INDIGO SUBSTITUTE.-It is stated that bye-products in the manufacture of aluminium under the new patent process now being worked at Birmingham yield a fine blue dye, which can be sold at 6s per oz., and that Messrs. Mac-taggart, indigo merchants, of London, have contracted to take all these bye-products from the Crown Metal Works of Birmingham.

AT the annual meeting of Kopf's Extract of Meat Company (Limited) held last month, the accounts presented showed that the business was not profitable, and a voluntary liquidation was resolved upon. The business was sold to the company four years ago for 30,000*l*. The chairman believed their failure was due to the fact that the English were not as a rule a soup-eating people.

MESSRS. DAVENPORT & Co., of 99 High Holborn, have issued a pamphlet giving particulars of fourteen patent stoppered bottles, for which they are agents, together with details and illustrations of various bottling machines and of several inventions of the past two or three years useful to the aërated-water trade. Any maker thinking of introducing one or other of the patent bottles will find it useful to compare prices and advantages as described in their pamphlet.

DU BARRY & Co. (LIMITED).—A public company is in course of formation, the object of which is to purchase the freeholds, plant, stock-in-trade, goodwill, and all rights in the business of Du Barry & Co., makers of the celebrated Revelenta Arabica, and other preparations. The prospectus is published among our advertisements, from which it will be seen that the new company is supported by men of sub-stance and experience, including—to name those specially known to chemists—Mr. G. R. Barclay, of Farringdon Street, and Mr. H. Davenport, of Great Russell Street. Fifty thou

sand pounds is to be paid for the whole property. This seems a considerable sum, but we are told it includes some valuable freeholds both in England and France, and, further, that the average profits for the last five years have shown a rate of 12 per cent, on the amount,

In our last number, in the advertisement of the Mont-serrat Lime Fruit Juice and Cordial, we erroneously printed the trade-mark of the sole consignees, Messrs. Evans, Sons & Co., of Liverpool, and Evans, Lescher & Webb, of London, as if that were the trade-mark of the company. We have been politely asked to correct that impression, and in order to do so effectually we print here the trade-mark of the Mont-

serrat Company (Lim.), which we ask our reader to observe.

THE ZOEDONE COMPANY are opening the new season with fresh vigour. From their advertisement it will be seen that they offer their beverage at considerably-reduced terms, and that, besides, they have arranged with about a dozen high-class firms in various populous centres to manufacture zoedone under their licence. This action will probably re-done some of the old zoe into the company's

property.

We understand that the plan of licensing first class firms to bottle Zoedone, which was introduced by Mr. Moss at the beginning of this year, promises to be very successful in its working, and will not only bring a good profit to the company, with a minimum of expense, but pay the licensees extremely well. Some of the present licensees formerly produced imitations, which had a good local sale, and the company makes a good move by thus at the same time disarming their former opponents and enlisting them to fight its own battle against railways and labour. We understand that Mr. Moss will resign the helm at Midsummer, by which time we hope his latest scheme will have brought the Zoedone Company into a settled prosperity.

NEW COMPANIES.—The following have been registered :--Beef Wine and Vinum Vita .- To acquire the proprietary and trade rights of the beef wine and vinum vitæ business, and thate rights of the beet wine and thum vite business, 115 Aldersgate Street, and to carry on the same. Purchase consideration: 5,000%, 2,500% in cash, and the residue in shares. Signatories (with one share each): H. Cordery, 143 Haverstock Hill; D. Hemmings, 17 Gracechurch Street; H. W. White, 88 Bishopsgate Street; W. H. Dalston, Finsbury Park; H. J. Walter, Finner's Hall, Old Broad Street; C. Gregson, Pinner's Hall; C. W. Langford, Acre Lane, S.W. Registered April 21, 1883, without articles.

Lloyd's Universal Food Company .- On April 28, to carry on the trade of manufacturers and dealers in patent and other foods, and proprietary articles, both wholesale and retail; foods, and proprietary articles, both wholesale and retail; and to acquire the business of J. and C. Lloyd & Co., 68A Cowcross-street, E.C. Capital 30,000L, composed of 4,350 preference shares, 1,625 ordinary shares, and 25 founders' shares of 5L each. The subscribers are:—Mr. J. Holdsworth, 19 Golden Square, Regent Street, 1 share; Mr. J. H. Mitchiner, 35 Seething Lane, 1; Mr. C. Robson, 2 Bartholomew's Road, Camden Town, 1; Mr. J. Robson, 5 South Villas, Camden Square, 1; Mr. W. D. Stone, 19 Oxford Terrace, Hyde Park, 1; Mr. M. Theobold, 23 St. Swithin's Lane, 1; Mr. C. M. Wright, St. James' Road, Brixton, 1 share. The first directors are Messrs. Holdsworth, Mitchiner, C. Robson, Stone and Wright. Stone and Wright.

Ceylon Tea Company .- To start, acquire, or manage any of the following businesses :- Growers of tea, coffee, cocoa and cinchona, and merchants thereof; and to purchase the business of Messrs. Anson & Co., tea merchants, of St. Dunstan's Hill, E.C. Capital 100,000., in 100,000 shares of 1l. each. The subscribers are:—Mr. J. H. Alexander, 66 Inverness Terrace, W., who takes one share; Mr. W. Rollo, 5 Stanley Gardens, 1; Mr. W. M. Leake, 65 Fenchurch St., 1;

Mr. F. Edenborough, Wool Exchange, E.C., 1; Mr. J. G. McCullagh, 4 Essex Court, Temple, 1; Mr. A. M. Gepp, Customs Chambers, St. Dunstan's Hill, 1; and Mr. T. Duncan, jun., 50 Mark Lane, 1 share. The first-named six subscribers form the first directorate, their share qualification being the holding of stock of the value of 100%, and their remuneration 700%, per annum.



The following list has been compiled expressly for THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST by G. F. Redfern, patent agent, 4 South Street, Finsbury, London, and at Paris and Brussels.

Applications for Letters Patent :-

- Aerated Waters.—No. 1892.—F. Benuett, of Ludgate Hill, London, Improvements in apparatus for the preparation of aërated waters or beverages. Dated April 13, 1883.
- Alcohol, &c.—No. 1697.—J. H. Loder, of Leiden, Holland. Improvements in the manufacture of alcohol, and of alcoholic solutions of colouring matters and other principles. Dated April 4, 1883.
- Ammonia.—No. 1842.—R. Tervet, of Chippens. Renfrewshire, Scotland, oilworks manager. Improvements in the production of ammonia or compounds of ammonia. Dated April 12, 1883.
- Ammonia, &c.—No. 2283.—L. Q. & A. Brin, both of Paris. Improvements in the production or menufacture of ammonia and nitric acid and other acids, and in apparatus therefor. Dated May 3, 1883.
- Bandage.—No. 1718.—W. F. Bott mley, of Bradford, Yerkshire. An improved apparatus or handage to be used by females. Dated April 5, 1833.
- Barrels, &c.—No. 2013.—J. H. Hedley, of Liverpool. Improvements in barrels, barrel-tanks, or other like articles for holding corrosive or other liquids. Dated April 20, 1853.
- Bottle-coverings.—No. 1670.—F. Hall, of Sheffield. Improvements in protective coverings for bottles (such as drinking flasks), and in the mouthpieces of same. Dated April 3, 1883.
- Bottles, &c.-No. 1975.—J. Edwards, of Holloway, London. Improvements in hottles and in stoppers for same. Dated April 18, 1883.
- Bottles. &c.—No. 203.—A. J. T. Wild, of Arbothoot Road, Peckham, London. Improvements in bottles and stoppers, and in apparatus to be used in the manufacture of the said bottles, which invention comprises improved filling and stoppering machinery and an improved husbing material. Dated April 25, 1883.
- Bottles, &c.—No. 2221.—W. R. Lake.—A communication from H. Robertson, of New York. Improvements in bottles, and in stoppering devices therefor. Dated May 1, 1883.
- Capsules.—No. 2131.—E. P. Alexander.—A communication from C. Cleswright, of Paris. Improvements in capsules for bottles and similar receptacles, partly applicable to the prevention of fraudulent interference with the contents of such receptacles. Dated April 27, 1883.
- Carbonate of Strontia.—No. 1912.—W. A. Rowell, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, chemical manager. Improvements in the mannfacture of carbonate of strontia. Dated April 14, 1883.
- Cattle Food, &c.—No. 1674.—P. Jensen.—A communication from S. O. Kjær, of Ribe, Denmark, Candidatus Pharmaciæ. Improvements in food for cattle and other animals. Dated April 3, 1883.
- Chemical Action, &c.—No. 1710—S. J. Wallace, of Rechuk, Jowa, United States. Improvements in apparatus and processes for generating and promoting electric and chemical action, and producing various products of such action, and of electrolysis. Dated April 5, 1883.
- Cleaning Filtering Media.—No. 2080.—J. E. Hodzkin, of Queen Victoria Street, and E. Perrett, of Victoria Chambers, Westminster, both In London. Improvements in the mode of cleaning the filtering media of filters. Dated April 24, 1883.
- Cleaning, &c., Sponge.—No. 2113.—R. F. Elms, of Baker Street, Portman Square, J. H. Payne, of Tavisteck Row, Covent Garden, and F. R. Nurthen, of the Strand, all in London. A process for cleansing, beautifying, bleaching, or renovating sponge. Dated April 36, 1883.
- Colouring Matters.—No. 1788.—P. J. Meyer, of Berlin, doctor of philosophy. Improvements in the manufacture of colouring matters. Dated April 9, 1883.
- Colouring Matters.—No. 2104.—F. Wirth.—A communication from Messrs. Ditler & Co., of Griesheim, near Frankfort-on-the Main. Improvements in colouring matters. Dated April 25, 1883.

- Colouring Matters.—No. 2184.—H. O. Miller, of Moscow. A new colouring matter called "canarine." Dated April 13, 1883.
- Colouring Matters.—No. 2237.—S. Pitt—A communication from Verein Chemischer Fabriken, of Mannheim, Germany. Improvements in red dye stuffs suitable for dyeing and printing. Dated May 2, 1883.
- Concentrating Sulphuric Acid.—No. 2035.—S. B. Bowen, of Llanelly, Carmarthenshire. Improvements in the mode of concentrating sulphuric acid, and in apparatus for the same. Dated April 21, 1883.
- Cooling or Warming Milk, &c.—No. 1916.—F. T. Bond, of Gloucester, doctor of medicine. An improved appliance for cooling or warming milk and other liquids. Dated April 16, 1883.
- Corkscrews.—No. 2022.—R. Dolberg.—A communication from C. F. A. Wienke, of Rostock, Mecklenburg Schwerin. Improvements in lever corkscrews. Dated April 20, 1883.
- Dye.—No. 1964.—G. A. Bang.—A communication from G. A. Dahl, E. Dahl, and R. Dahl, of Barmen, Germany. An improved method of producing a yellow dye. Dated April 18, 1883.
- Explosives.—No. 1983.—F. W. Gilles, of Cölne-on-the-Rhine. Improvements in the mannfacture of explosive compounds. Dated April 13, 1883.
- Explosives.—No. 2139.—E. Turpin, of Rue de la Victoire, Paris. Improvements in the manufacture of explosive compounds. Dated April 27, 1883.
- Extracting Oils.—No. 2102.—J. Imray.—A communication from J. A. Bang and C. A. Sanguinetti, both of Parls. Improvements in the process for extracting oils by diffusion and in the preparation of materials and arrangement of apparatus for that purpose. Dated April 25. 1882.
- Filter.—No. 2126.—F. H. Atkins, of Fleet Street, London. Improvements in apparatus for filtering water and other liquids. Dated April 26, 1883.
- Generating and Applying Electricity.—No. 1895.—R. V. Ash, of Marplands Road, St. Peter's Park, London. Improvements in the method of generating and applying electricity for medicinal or other purposes, and in the means employed therefor. Dated April 14, 1883.
- Gum Tragacanth.—No. 1933.—A. C. Duncan, of Manchester. Improvements in the treatment and preparation of the substance known as gnm tragacanth. Dated April 17, 1883.
- Ice, &c.—No. 1727.—W. R. Lake.—A communication from S. B. Hunt, of New York, and F. E. Pinto, of Brooklyn, hoth in New York, United States. An improved process to be used in the mannfacture of ice, and for other cooling or refrigerating purposes. Dated April 5, 1883.
- Infusions.—No. 2211.—W. P. Thompson.—A communication from J. C. Grant, of New York. Improved process of and apparatus for making infusions of coffee and other beverages. Dated May 1, 1883.
- Injector.—No. 2160.—O. Imray.—A communication from A. R. Larger, of Paris. An improved apparatus for surgical injections. Dated April 28, 1883.
- Membranes for Eliminating Micro-organisms.—No. 2087.— C. D. Abel.—A communication from F. Breyer, of Vienna, Improvements in membranes or media for eliminating microorganisms from liquids and gases, and in the method of and apparatus for the manufacture of such membranes or media. Dated April 24, 1883.
- Metallic Oxides.—No. 2055.—H. A. Bonneville.—A communication from L. C. E. Faucheux, of Loos, France. A new or improved process for manufacturing metallic oxides or bases. Dated April 23, 1883.
- Oxide of Strontium, &c.—No. 2259.—W. Moody, of West Ham, chemist. Improvements in the manufacture of oxide of strontium and hyposulphite of the alkalies. Dated May 3, 1883.
- Paint.—No. 1683.—A. M. Clark.—A communication from the Leeds Manufacturing Company, of Brooklyn, New York, United States. An improved composition of matter to he used as a paint or dye. Dated April 3, 1883.
- Protecting Contents of Bottles, &c.—No. 2186.—E. P. Alexander.—A communication from C. Cheswright, of Paris. A new or improved mode or method of protecting or preventing fraudulent interference with the contents of bottles and similar receptacles. Dated April 30, 1883.
- Remedying Physical Defects of the Mouth, &c.—No. 1729.—R. II. Brandon.—A communication from C. J. Bing, D.D.S., of Paris. Improvements in the construction and fixation of apparatus remedying physical defects of the mouth and palate. Dated April 6, 1883.
- Tanning Material.—No. 1691.—W. R. Lake. A communication from A. Badoil, of Paris. An improved tanning material and method of obtaining the same from the asphodel plant. Dated April 4, 1883.
- Teeth.—No. 2304.—J. Beutelrock, of Munich, Bavaria. Elastic sets of teeth. Dated April 21, 1883.

- Salicylic Acid, &c .- No. 2119 .- W. L. Wise .- A communication from Dr. W. Hentschel, of Dresden. Improvements in the mannfacture of salicylic acid, producing also alcoholic phenates. Dated
- Stopping Bottles .- No. 1770 .- W. R. Lake -- A communication from C. G. Hutchinson, of Chicago, Illinois, United States. Improvements in bottle-stoppers and in machinery or apparatus for facilitating the use of the same. Dated April 7, 1883.
- Stopping Bottles, &c.-No. 1798,-N. Thompson, of Brooklyn, New York, United States. Improvements in stoppers or covers for bottles, jars, and other hollow articles. Dated April 10, 1883.
- Stopping Bottles, &c .- No. 1942 .- N. Thompson, of Brooklyn, New York, United States. Improvements in stoppers or covers for hottles, jars, and other hollow articles. Dated April 17, 1883.
- Stopping Bottles, &c .- No. 2171 .- J. Jackson, jun., of Lorn Road, Brixton, London. An improved stopper for bottles and jars. Dated April 30, 1883.
- Stopping Bottles .- No. 2176 .- R. J. Sankey, of South Hill, near Ashford, Kent. Improvements in stoppering bottles for containing acrated or gaseous liquids. Dated April 30, 1883.
- Sulphuric Acid .- No. 1673 .- W. Garroway, of Glasgow, manufacturing chemist. Improvements in apparatus to be used in the manufacture and concentration of sulphuric acid. Dated April 3, 1883.
- Surgical Belt, &c .- No. 2083 .- C. B. Harness, of Holborn Viaduct, London. An improved surgical belt and bed-stay. Dated April 24,
- Ulmin-brown.-No. 2009,-H. J. Haddan. A communication from La Banque Industrielle de Belgique, of Paris. New or improved pro-cesses for the manufacture of ulmin-brown. Dated April 20, 1883.
- Vaseline.-No. 1817.-W. P. Thompson. A communication from H. & M. Böbm, of Vicnna. Improvements in and connected with the manufacture or rectification of vaseline. Dated April 10, 1883.

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1877.

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1882.

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- 3789. E. A. Brydges. Oxidising alcohols, &c. 8d.
- 3835. P. and F. M. Spence. Alum and other salts of alumina. 4d. 3854. J. Ferguson, Bottles for aërated waters, and stoppers for same.
- (Not proceeded with.) 2d.
 3910. R. Edwards. Substitute for starch, &c. (Not proceeded with.)
- 24.
- 3917. C. Lowe and J. Gill. Compounds for disinfecting, &c. 47.
- 3932. W. Astrop and R. Ridgeway. Fireproof liquid compound. 2d. 3977. D. Urquhart. Manufacture of ammonia, and pnridication of shale
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- ture of zinc paint, &c. (Not proceeded with.) 2d.
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- with.) 2d. 4017. H. J. Haddan. Manufacture of hydrate of glucose from starch. 4d.
- 4028. E. Perrett. Filters and apparatus for cleansing the same. 6d.
- 4037. H. J. Haddan. Stoppers for bottles, cans, &c. 2d.
- 4048, F. Wirth. Manufacture of a blue colonring matter, 4d,
- 4057. E. P. Alexander. Manufacture of ammonia and boneblack. 6d.
- 4072. J. F. C. Farquhar and W. Oldham. Filtering apparatus. 6d.
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- 4123. Mary Richards. Filters. (Not proceeded with.) 2d.
- 4131. C. F. Claus. Manufacture of silicate of zinc, lead, baryta, and strontia. 4d.
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- 4163. A. M. Clark. Filters. 6d.
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- perfumes, &c. 6d. 4276. R. Irvine. Treatment of retene for obtainment of anthracene, &c.
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- 4389. J. J. Rawley. Stoppering bottles, jars, &c. 6d.
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- glycerine, &c. 4d. 5407. J. Wetter. Filters. 4d.

Miscellaneous.

THIRTEEN AT TABLE .- The statistical probability of the superstition that if thirteen sit down to table one of them will die in the course of the following twelve months is given in a French paper, from which it appears that the chances are that if the average age of the company is-

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persons present to make the realisation of the theory scientifically likely.

THE PREVENTION OF CONFLAGRATIONS .- In consequence of the destruction of so many valuable buildings by fire, the Committee of the Royal College of Physicians has deemed it prudent to improve the security of their college in Pall Mall East, which contains a library and a museum of the greatest importance to the profession, as well as a large number of highly valuable pictures, &c. At the request of the Committee, Messrs. Merryweather & Sons, the well-known fire engineers, of Long Acre, made a careful survey of the premises, and reported their recommendations; after which it was decided that the opinion of Captain E. M. Shaw, C.B., of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, should be also taken; and, in accordance with the suggestions of these experts, we learn that Messrs. Merryweather & Sons have been directed to furnish the College with their system of high-pressure fire-extinguishing appliances. Upon each floor a length of light waterproof hose with nozzle attached will be coupled to a hydrant and hung so that any person can stretch out the tube and cause a powerful extinguishing stream to be ejected upon any fire in less than a minute after its discovery; while a number of buckets will be hung upon each floor, ready to be used on the first sign of fire; and in addition there will be supplied handy portable firepumps, by means of which a person can, unaided, pump a stream of water high enough to strike the ceiling of each floor with considerable force, and thereby command such points as would be inaccessible by water thrown from buckets on account of smoke, heat, light, or other causes. These buckets and hand-pumps will be continually full of water, and available for instant application upon any fire that may be discerned at the moment of its occurrence, so that extensive water damage may be avoided, while the hydrants and hose will be in reserve for the attack of flames which may have been suffered to gain a firm hold of a room or two.

Berchange Column.

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If name and address are not included, one penny per word must be paid. A number will then he attached to the advertisement by the

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Dental and Surgical.

Dentist's lathe for disposal, cheap. C. P. L., 34 High Street, Putney.

Drugs and Chemicals.

1 cwt, remnant honey for oxymel, &c., 3d. per lb., or exchange for oil cistern, drums, &c. Kemp & Son, Horncastle.

One hundredweight effervescing saline, 11d.; 1 cwt. oil male fern, 10-lb. tins, 7s. lb.; samples on application to B. G. L. & Co., 11 Edmund Place, Aldersgate Street, E.C.

Proprietary Articles.

Offers wanted for patents, &c., to be sold cheap; list sent on application. 26/19.

Barrow Evans' hair restorer, 12 doz.; offers, or exchange whole or part. 30/34.

Six dozen Bradbury's fly-powder, cheap, for cash, or will exchange. 32/26.

12 doz. Bradbury's dipping powder, 6 doz. carbonic solution, 6 doz., foot-rot lotion, 1s. size, 6s. doz. Moule, Redditch.

Surplus stock of patent medicines and l'proprietary articles for disposal. List on ap-plication to H. Jowett, 184 Manchester Road, Bradford.

About six dozen of the most saleable patents, no bad stock, wrappers perfect; 14 lbs. Mumford's starch powder; 1 lb. ferri carb. sach., 3 oz. pu. tragac, opt. Will exchange for recent reliable medical and veterinary works, Homœopathic Pharmacopæia, &c. Robinson, Chemist, Baildon.

Optical.

A stock of A. Bennett's spectacles (new) for sale or exchange. 29/9.

Herbert & Godfrey's (Druiff & Druiff's) spectacles, half invoice price. Kendall, Blyth. A saleable stock of Herbert & Godfrey's spectacles; cheap for cash, or offers. List from J. H. Adams & Co., Stoke-upon-Trent.

Apparatus.

Excellent ice refrigerator, good condition, 4 feet long, 3 feet high, cost 141., will take 31. Atkinson, Chemist, Tynemonth. "Simplissimus" printing-press, with type-cases,

&c., equal to new; prints 12 by 8. Ellis, Chemist, Southport.

D'Or's No. 2 light and power battery, in perfect order; what offers? Galbraith, Chemist, Glasgow.

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- New 620-gallon tinned-iron vat, 101., or offer, 3-inch brass hung, 1-inch tap, 58 inches diameter. Apply at Cale Street Distillery, Chelsea, S.W.
- A two-cell galvanic battery in case, two singlecell ditto, two electro-magnetic machines, D'Or's electric light, few pairs double-spring crutches; offers wanted in cash or exchange, For particulars address The Willows, Buxton.
- A galvanised-iron oil-cistern, holding about 40 gallons, in perfect condition and nearly new, cost 38s.; what offers? Also one of York Glass Company's displacement apparatns, as fig. 53 Maw's catalogue, size four pints; what offers? Apply, W. J. While, Chemist, London Street, Reading.

Educational.

Set of illegible autograph prescriptions (original). 2s. 6d., as presented to the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland for their examinations; 30 prescriptions (catch and difficult) given to dispense at Minor during past 12 months, 2s.; 50 questions asked of successful students at last Minor, 1s. 1d.; lot of cheap, almost new, books. Stamp for list. Saunders, 130 Camden Road, N.W.; note change of residence.

Literature.

Chemist and Druggist, from 1872 to 1883 inclusive, in good condition, price 50s. 30/31. Bentley's "Botany," new, 8s. 32/3.

Pharmaceutical Journal from 1865, in yearly volumes : what offers? S. B., 23 Strickland Gate, Kendal.

Dickson's "Cbrono-Thermalist" for 1850; also Dickson's "Fallacy of Art of Physic," Percy Wells, 50 Elgin Crescent, W.

9s. per volume, Pharmaceutical Journal, from commencement, 6 or 8 volumes, bound; a few of volumes imperfect, 5/31,

Hayward's "Botanist's Pocket-book," good as new, 3s. 2d., published at 4s. 6d.: 1st vol. (half-year) "Knowledge," 2s. 6d. W. Coles. 14 Cedar Terrace, Richmond, Surrey.

Pharmaceutical Journal from Dec., 1877, to July, 1882; "Scientific Recreations"; "Universal Instructor," vols. 1, 2, and part 3, all unbound, unsoiled, and complete, cheap, cash or exchange. Moule, Redditch.

Attfield's "Chemistry," Wills "Botanical Com-panion," Wills "Botanical Dictionary," Wills "Frescriptions," and 50 Minor questions for 10s. 6d. "Chemist," 1 North Street, Keighley.

Jarmain's "Qualitative Analysis," 11 numbers "Veterinarian" (1878), 5s.; Tully's "Herharium"; Cassell's "Family Magazine," 2 vols., in numbers, 1879 to 1881. Bowers, 17 Trafalgar Place, Stoke, Devonport.

Volumes (41) of Pharmaceutical Journal, well hound and as new, with indexes and original introduction by Jacoh Bell; these contain all that has been published by Society up to July, 1882. 15 Truro Road, St. Austell.

Wills' 10s. 6d. "Materia Medica," Wills'
"Elements of Pharmacy" (6s. 6d.), Wills' 2s. "Handbook to Analysis," Wills' 1s. "Decimals and Metric System," Wills' 5s. Materia Medica Cabinet, price 25s. the lot; deposit, N.B.—Wills' "Lectures," which cost 11. 1s., are copied on the interleaves, and the remainder in book will be given to the pnrchaser of the above. J. Meadows, Chemist, Normansfield, Hampton Wick, Middlesex.

Chemist's small library, Full particulars and prices hy letter only, no post cards, to H. Brunton, 13A Dean Street, Soho, Loudon, W.

Chemist and Druggist, 1866 to 1870, and 1872 to 1881: "Pharmaceutical Conference Book." 1865 to 1869; what offers. Tookey, 409 Mose'ey Road, Birmingham,

Soda-water Plant.

Twenty cases Apollinaris water, quarts, 18s, per case. Day & Co., Hernc Hill.

American-principle machine, second-hand, by Davenport; 300 dozen daily; 201. Particulars, N. G. Wilcocks, Bath.

Soda-water machine by Mondollot, Paris, second hand, 151.; as good as new. At N. G. Wilcocks', Bath.

Second-hand soda-water plant-several in stock. Address, Bratby & Hinchliffe, Sandford Street, Ancoats, Manchester.

Barnett & Foster have some second-hand sodawater machinery of their own for sale. Apply, 23T Forston Street, Shepherdess Walk, London, N.

50%, all at .- Second-hand engine, boiler, lead generator, copper gasbolder, Bramah pnmp, big condenser, gauges, filling machine for corks, ditto patents; seen at work by appointment. Particulars, N. G. Wilcocks. Roth

Soda-water machine, generator, gasometer, &c., complete; maker, Wilcox, Bath; hand or power, in good condition, would suit small trade or beginner; fitting up larger machinery; will sell cheap, and give accommodation if wanted, Millar & Co., Walworth Road London

Shop Fittings.

A great bargain, the complete fittings of a first-class chemists' shop. 31/5.

Four show-carboys, in good condition, four or six gallons, cut stoppers, with or without stands. Particulars and lowest price, Hart, Chemist, Southwick, Durham.

Handsome show-jar, York Glass Company No.'4, carb. soda, 33 inches high, cost 51, 2s, 6d.; will take 50s. Dr. Connolly, Bruff, co. Limerick.

Nests drawers, show-hottles, specie-jars, glazed cases, shop bottles and jars, store bottles, lamps and irons, counters, various other articles, all cheap, to clear out; also about 201. worth of various drugs, in small quantities of each; stamp for list. Lowe, 846 Old Kent Road, London.

Pair of hest dispensing-scales, brass pillarbeam and balance, glass pan, on polished mahogany stand, with drawer and weights, as No. 7 Maw's catalogue, new, nasoiled, price 15s. 6d.; fly-papers, 4s. 6d. per 1,000. Halford, Chemist, New John Street West, Birmingham.

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16-ft. run mahogany-fronted fixtures, drawers with lockers under, mahogany top to drawers, two silvered plate-glass cupboards between shelves and cornice over; a 12-ft. do. do. fixture, as Maw's fig. A 84; 2-ft. long, 4-ft, long, 6-ft, long, 8-ft, long, 10-ft, long, 12-ft. long mahogany-fronted drawers, glass knobs and glass lahels (bevelled-edge), with lockers for bottles under; 4-ft. bigh, per foot run, inclusive of mahogany top to drawers. E. Natali, 207 Old Street, near Pitfield Street, London.

- Anyone having surplus fittings, drug drawers, shelving, desks, scales, dispensing screen, lamp, drawers for under counter, &c., they wish to dispose of, may forward particulars and price to Z, 50 Union Street, Torquay, Devon.
- An 11-ft. mahogany wall-case, 4 ft. 6 in. high; a 5 ft. 6 in. ditto, ditto, made on the air-tight principle, 6 ft. 6 in. high; a ditto, ditto, 6 ft. 6 in. long, 6 ft. 6 in. high; 5 feet high by 6 ft. high ditto, ditto; 5 ft. by 3 ft. 8 in. high; 3 ft. 10 in. long by 4 ft. high; 3 ft. 10 in. long by 4 ft. high; 10 ft. long, 2 ft. 3 in. high; 11 ft. by 6 ft. high; a 17-ft. run mahogany wall case, with mahogany cupboards under; a 5-ft. ditto, ditto, both 9 ft. high; 7 ft. 6 in. long by 2 ft. 3 in. high; 4 ft. long, 3 ft. high; also a number of small upright cases, from 20 in. long, 2 ft. long, 3 ft. long, &c. E. Natali, 207 Old Street, E.O.
- Dispensing-screen, 6 ft., handsome tablet in centre, 90s.; ditto, 6 ft., mirror, case on each end; ditto, 4 ft., mirror, case on each end, 61. 10s.; ditto, 7 ft., mirror, case on each end, 101.; ditto, 8 ft, mirror, case on each end, 121.; ditto, 3 ft., 63s.; ditto, 4 ft., 65s.; wall-cases, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 ft. long, and 9 ft. high, 45s.; desk and case, 2 ft. long, 2 ft. high; brash-case, 30s.; brush, 35s.; desk and screen, 36s.; long desk to stand in front shop, cost 381.; shop of fixtures, 12 ft. square, all 201.; ditto, 14 ft. square, 221.; ditto, 16 ft. square, 251.; onedoor case to stand before desk, 31s.; long bent front case, 8 ft. long, 16 in. wide, worth 101., 120s.; a lot of large globes and speciejars, large. R. Tomlinson, St. Paul's Square. Birmingham.
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- 20.1c, 18-ft., 14-ft., 8-ft., 7-ft., 6-ft. mahogany-top counters fitted with drawers; 12-ft. mahogany-fronted counter; 6-ft. mahogany-fronted counter; two 10-ft. sidecounters, fitted with drawers and cupboards, suitable for store-room; 14-ft. mahogany and plate-glass frooted counter; 7-ft. 6o. do.; 7-ft. 6 in. long, 3-ft. 6-in. high, mahogany and glass cupboard; a 6-ft. long, 3-ft. wide side-counter, fitted with drawers; a quantity of shelving, cupboard-doors, &c., enitable for fitting store-rooms, a bargain. E. Natali, 207 Old Street, near Pitfield Street, London, E.C.
- Plate glass counter-cases, as fig. A 2, 3 ft. long, 4ft long, 4ft, 6 in. long; as fig. A 3, 8ft. long, 40s; 3 ft. 6 in. long, 45s.; as fig. A 6, 4ft. long, 5ft. long; 6 ft. long; as fig. A 8, 5 ft. long, 6 ft. long; as fig. A 8, 5 ft. long, 6 ft. long; as fig. A 13, 4 ft. long, 6 ft. 6 in. long; in. A 15, 6 ft. 6 in. 7 ft. 6 ft. 6 in. 7 ft. 6 ft. 6 in. 7 ft. 8 ft., and 9 ft. long; A 16, 3 ft., 3 ft. 6 in. long; A 18, 5 ft., 6 ft. 6 in. 7 ft. 7 ft. 6 fin. 8 ft.; 9 ft., 10 ft. ft. 10 ft. 1

Second-hand stock .- Mahogany counter-case, circular plate-glass bays, with upright case, plate-glass shelf reflectors, as Maw's A 4, 42 in. long, 25 in. wide, 23 in. high, no carving, 61.; nest 49 mahogany-fronted drug-drawers, deal lockers, and caseboard, 94 in, long, 48½ in, high, 31. 15s.; two elegant mahogany carboy-pillars, carved caps, fluted columns, 493 in. high, 16-in, bases, 71.; Spanish mahogany dispensing screen, three pilasters, and Mines' plate glass sashes, tablets own make, 107 in. long, 23½ in. high, 71. 10s.; mahogany external doors, plate-glass shutters and fanlight, 881 in. high, 48 in. wide, 31.; mahogany shop-front sash for four squares, 139 in. long, 1111 in. high, 30s.; 37 6-quart black uprights, 28s. 6d.; 21 1-gallon ditto, 10s. 6d.; 26 3-pint ronnds, 26s.; 6 quart syrups, 6s. W. Hawke & Son, Wild Court, Great Wild Street, London.

Formulæ.

- My formula for lavender water, guaranteed equal to Sainsbury's, costing about 2. 6d. per lb., forwarded for 2s. 6d. postal order (not filled in). H. Lloyd, Browlhempston, Totnes.
- Satisfaction guaranteed .- Recipes of genuine preparations in actual commerce; " Entirely New Toothache Remedy," gives instant ease, non-poisonous, nor injurious to other teeth; "Nigerine," jet-black, waterproof patent blacking, cheaper and better than Nubian, contains oil, improves the leather; "Digestive Relish," most appetising sance in creation, mellow, piquante, costs 3s. 6d. gallon; "Lupuline Bitters," the king of vegetable tonics, vastly superior to the much-advertised hop bitters; " Foaming Dentifrice," resembles Floriline, one-eighth cost, exquisite odour; "Red-rose Lotion" (recipe of Erasmus Wilson), removes freckles, sunburn, tan, &c., keeps well ; " Rheumatic Embrocation," best and surest cure for gout and all rheumatic pains, costs 7d. lb.; "Tonic Hair Lotion," cleanses the head, strengthens hair, cooling, not oily; "Amygdaline Balm," more elegant, superior, and less costly than any glyccrine balm in the market, quite innocent, non-sticky; "Cryptzymosis," certain, speedy cure for gleet-this injection is warranted to care long-standing cases, a guaranteed preventive; "Campholyde," external specific for neuralgia, rapid in action and cleanly; "Hair-restorer" (sine sulphur), clear solution and sweet, may be honestly recommended; "Lavender Water" (West end recipe), equals Sainsbury's in aroma and durability of fragrance; "Occasional Pills" (for ladies), physician's prescription, preferred by many to Welch's; "Stomach - corrector" (Dr. Taylor's), pleasant tasting, mild aperient, adaptable to children and adults; "Conservatine," componnd powder like Glacialine, preserves milk, butter, meat, &c., cheap; "Essence for Deafness," simple, non-injurious, quickly relieves; "Quinine and Iron Tonic" (resembles Pepper's), excellent, bright, and unchangeable : "Worm Syrnp," vegetable, nice taste, pleasant action, and certain; "Mist. Gonorrhæa" (copaiba), radical cure, nauseous taste masked, presentable appearance, quickly made; "Toilet Vinegar" (like Rimmel's), most refreshing, quarter price; "Corn-eradicator" (resembles Hargreave's), warranted most excellent, never known to fail; "Mollispæna," for tender feet and offensive perspiration, curative and disinfectant. Recipes 1s. 1d. each, six for 5s., free, with full instructions for making and all particulars. Detailed printed lists post free. T. Brooks, Chemist, Louth, Lines.

- Speed drinks for calves, best ever known; condition powders for horses, never-failing remedy; chilblata liniment, cleetric curc; genorrhosa emnision, not disagreeable, it. each; inseparable line cream and giycerine, especially recommended, 5s. "Chemicons, Mr. Taylor, Skeyl Forest, near Mansfeld."
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 successful treatment, 2s. 6d.; also, primary,
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Miscellaneous.

- Eight oil-pipes, 120 to 200 gals. each, good condition, 12s. 6d. each. Kcmp & Son, Horncastle.
- Original 11. shares in Chemists' Aërated Water Oompany; offers solicited. Slack, 132 Clarendon Road, Notting Hill.
- Three medicine chests, containing respectively 26, 20, and 14 bottles, all complete; prices, 40s., 3's., and 20r., cheap. S., 31 Braithwaite Road, Birmingham.
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- Fruit Essences.—Apricot, 4s.; cherry, 4s.; pear, 2s., 9d.; raspberry, 3s. 6d.; strawberry, 3s. 6d.; ginger, soluble (Hay's), 3s. 6d.; black currant, 3s. 6d.; peppermint, 6s.; red currant, 2s. per lb. in Winchester quarts, finest condition, from first-class maker, satisfactory reasons given, a real bargain. Vaughan, 21 Withington Road, Manchester.
- Electric bell wire, &c., half prioc; Hooper's water-bed, little used, one fourth cost; manhogany desk, with drawers undermeath, 24 by 30, 15c; tea-mill, little used, 15c; good guitar, with instructions, 10c; parten air-pistol, 25s., cost 35s; large iron pestle and mortar, 6s; quantity of therometers, 30 per cent. off cost; Crowa perfumery, &c., at considerable reduction. W. Webb, Post Office, Shaftsebury.

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ood second-hand dental chair, cheap, Owen's preferred; also, round chemist's lamp-glass, half rnby and half blue, cheap. Rose, New Brighton.

'araffin - pump, with measuring apparatus. Morgan, Chemist, Greatbridge, Tipton.

set of scaling and stopping instruments; also a tooth-mirror, Maw's fig. 3 preferred. Chas. Thompson, Sparkbrook, Birmingham. Chemist and Druggists' Diary for 1881. B., 25 Cheapside, Boston.

Cheap empty glycerine and castor oil tins, good condition. Kemp & Son, Horncastle.

Latest edition "Art of Perfumery," by Piesse; state price. B. Wood, New Pellon, Halifax. In exchange for hooks or cash, good second-

hand dispensing-scales, in hox. 15 Truro Road, St. Austell. Chemi-t and Druggist for January and February, 1880. George Robertson, 17 Worwick

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Pindar's pill machine; full particulars, condition, and lowest price. Heald, Burnham, Bucks.

Wills' "Materia Medica" and "Pharmacy," and Chemist and Druggist. Bowers, 17 Trafalgar Place, Stoke, Devonport. Selecta è Prescriptis, Pharm. Latin Grammar British Pharmacopcia, Bentley's "Manual, Botany," Lindley's "School Botany," Royle's "Manual of Materia Medica." W. E. Foss, Broadway, Worcestershire.

Chemists and Druggists' Diary for 1881; will give cash, or exchange for Nuttal's Dictionary of Scientific Terms, cloth, red edges, published at 5z.; also a work on "Functional Derangements," as new. Address, "Alpha," care of Publisher, 42 Cannon Street, E.C.

ADDRESSES AND INFORMA-TION WANTED.

Present address of Mr. Wallace Pringle, late of Swansea, organist, now supposed to he living in Devonshire.

Trude Reports.

HHE Board of Trade Returns for April do not offer any very striking feature. The totals show an increase of learly 6 per cent. in the imports as compared with April, 882, being valued at 35,094,1814 this year, and 36,079,2074. ast year. Gencrally, the increases are in breadstuffs, such is corn, butter, tea, meat, and potatoes; while a decrease is hown in the imports of raw materials for manufacturers, uch as cotton, flax, wool, &c. We exported in the month; you can be such as cotton, flax, difference of scarcely 4; per cent. The exports of chemicals compare as under with those of April, 1882; the print, 1882; the properties of the such control of the properties of the properties of the property of the properties of the pro

THE PROSPECTS OF CINCHONA.

We (Tropical Agriculturist, Ceylon) have received from a reliable source some information which we deem of considerable importance to our cinchona planters. The European capitalists who started cinchona plantations in South America (having secured the services of Mr. Thomson, fornerly of Jamaica, as their manager) have already lost faith n the success of their enterprise, so great is the cost of and carriage and so many are the obstacles-war not the east-in the pursuit of their undertaking. Coming back o our own hemisphere, to Java, we have good authority for aying that manufacturers of quinine in Europe are raising reat objections to bark from Java as containing so much esin that it is next to impossible to get the quinine white. some of it has been crystallised seven times, and even then could not be got white. Of course each crystallisation neans a loss of alkaloids, besides extra expense and labour. Vith ordinary bark, the second crystallisation is nearly lways sufficient. It is also stated that Java bark never ives so much to the manufacturer as the analyses sent home vith it show! All these are facts which go to some extent to nitigate the rivalry of Java with our Ceylon and South ndian barks. It is quite possible that our poorer soils may e better adapted to produce a good manufacturing bark han the much richer volcanic soil of Java.

MINCING LANE, May 12, 1883.

Since our last issue we have to report a dull market, with eclining values, for most of the more important articles old in Mincing Lane. The improvement which commenced in January continued until the middle of April, when it addenly ceased, the trade demand fell off, and speculators using confidence, the improvement which had taken place ras lost. This dulness was due in a great measure to the unavourable weather, giving no hopes of a good harvest to elieve the agricultural depression which undoubtedly prealis, and the reduced spending power of the country. We nticipate, however, an improvement' will take place after ne Whitsun holidays: there are already signs of encourage-tent, especially in the drug trade, where a more cheerful

spirit is shown, the last public sales showing animation, with a fair business doing at full rates. Aloes were in good demand, rhubarb was firmer, castor oil remains steady, codiver oil sells at firm prices; camphor, nowithstanding the large deliveries and improved statistical position, remains neglected, and closes at lower rates, Japan offering at 67s. 6d. Japan wax, being in short supply and very cheap, was bought for speculation, about 1,000 cases (a third of the stock) changing hands at 44s. 6d. and closing at 48s. per cwt. In chemicals the home trade demand has been poor; acids close lower; on the Baltic, prices have lately ruled in buyers' favour.

The first public sales of drugs which we have to notice were held on Thursday, April 19, at the New Corn Exchange, and consisted of seventeen catalogues; there was good competition, and a fair amount of goods sold. We give particulars of the most important sales, in conjunction with a few private transactions, viz.:—

ESSENTIAL OILS.—Star Aniseed is rather firmer, with sales at 7s, 9d, spot, and about 100 cases for arrival at 7s, per lb. c.i.f. Cassia.—More demand, with sales at 4s, per lb., 3d, dearer. Hotchkiss' Peppermint sells freely at 12s, per lb.; Hale & Parshall's, 11s. 6d, per lb. Lemon Grass.—Large speculative purchases have been made at 12d, per oz., and Citronelle at 12d, to 12d, but without affecting the market; we expect an improvement shortly, as the present low prices are not satisfactory to makers or shippers.

ALOES.—East India Socotrine at 62. Curacoa.—30 boxes sold from 50s. to 100s. per cwt.

BARK.—Cascarilla.—180 packages at 20s. 6d. to 23s. per cwt.; 150 serons Calisaya, 1s. 8d. to 2s. 5d.; 140 bales Crown and grey, 9d. to 1s. 7d. per lb.

BUCHA LEAVES.—20 bales short broad green at 5d. per lb. CAMPHOR.—China: 250 cases, new import, at 65s. per

cwt., a decline of 2s. 6d. per cwt.

CANTHARIDES.—China: 2 cases at 2s. 8d. per lb.; the stock is low, with a good demand.

CASTOR OIL shows a slight improvement; the stock now shows a considerable reduction for the last few days. A fair amount of business has been effected at $4\frac{1}{2}d$, for first quality, water white, and $3\frac{1}{2}d$, to $3\frac{3}{2}d$. for fair and good seconds.

COD-LIVER OIL maintains a high value, which is likely to continue; good Norwegian is held for 12s. per gallon, Japan, io cases, still meets with inquiry, principally for mixing, at 5s. 3d. per gallon, and 6s. in casks. If more care is taken next season in preparing this oil, we think it will become a great rival to the northern oil.

CHIRETTA, -24 bales at 33d. to 4d. per lb.

CARDAMOMS.—50 cases Mangalore, 1s. 8d. to 6s. 11d. for fine bold pale; good plump Ceylon, Malabar sort, at 5s. 1d. to 6s. 4d.; Ceylon, long pods, at 2s. 1d. to 2s. 2d. per lb.

ERGOT OF RYE.—50 packages: Spanish, 1s.; Russian, $7\frac{3}{4}d$. per 1b.

CIVET.—One horn at 63. 6d. per oz.

GAMBOGE.—8 cases at 15l. 17s. 6d. per cwt.

Honey.—50 packages Jamaica: middling to fine yellow at 32s. to 38s. 6d. per cwt.

JALAP .- 15 bales Vera Cruz at 1s. per lb.

MUSK .- Tonquin is much quieter. Pile 1 sold up to 80s.; pile 2, 41s.; and pile 3, 26s. per oz.; 6 tins Assam at 37s. to 42s. 6d.

RHUBARB is in good demand and rather dearer. Good Shensi root, mixed sizes, 2s. 1d. to 3s. 4d.; dark fracture, 1s. 10d.; Canton, round and flat, 1s. 10d.; high-dried, 1s, 1d. to 1s. 4d. per lb.

ROOTS.-Colombo, 40s. per cwt.; Colombo root-wood, a spurious quality referred to in our last issue, 350 bags sold without reserve" at 1s. per cwt.; 10 bales Seneka at 2s. 3d. per lb.; 2 bales Snake at 1s. 2d.; and 2 casks finescraped Venetian Orris root sold up to 51s. per cwt.

SENNA,-Only a few lots sold: Alexandrian broken leaf at 8d. per lb.

VANILLOES .- 225 tins sold at firm rates: fine crystallised at 20s. to 28s.; ordinary, 8s. to 17s. per lb.

WAX, BEES', is in good demand at full rates: Jamaica, 5l. 17s. 6d. to 7l. 2s. 6d.; Australian, 6l. 2s. 6d. Japan Vegetable Wax is 2s. per cwt. dearer, and higher prices are expected, as the stock is very small.

The second series of public sales was held on Thursday, May 3, the most important sales being as follows :-

Aloes. - Good Socotrine at 71. 2s. 6d.

Ambergris.—Weak flavoured at 71s.; common, 19s. per oz. Bark.-Crown, fair, 9d.; good fair, 1s. 9d. per lb.

Camomiles .- Very depressed. Fair ordinary quality, 48s.; brown, 21s. to 24s. per cwt.

Camphor .- Very dull; sellers of Japan at 70s., re-weights; and China, 65s. per cwt.

Cassia Fistula .- 150 bales at 8s. to 9s. per cwt.

Gamboge.-1 case at 17l, 2s, 6d, per cwt.

Gum Arabic.—Australian, good, 24s. to 25s.; 10 bales Turkey sorts, 59s.; low dusty, 33s. per cwt.

Assafætida. -20 cases at 60s. to 70s. per cwt.

Benjamin .- 2 cases Siam, false packed, 231 .: Sumatra, firsts, 101 10s.; dark seconds, 6l. 15s. to 8l. 17s. 6d. per cwt. Guaiacum.-Fair lump at 1s. to 1s. 9d. per 1b.

Myrrh.-Good sorts, 61. 5s.; siftings, 51.; low, 31. 5s. per

Honey.-Jamaica, fine yellow, 41s. 6d.; dark, 33s.; brown Cuban, 26s. per cwt.

Ipecaeuanha.—Good, 3s. 4d. to 3s. 5d. per lb.

Matico .- 15 bags dark low at 2s. per lb.

Musk met with more inquiry, and sold up to 96s, for good quality, pile 1; 2 caddies Yunan sold at 50s. per oz.

Cod-liver Oil.—11 casks Norwegian at 11s. 6d. per gallon. Castor Oil is in better demand, and higher prices are probable, fair seconds selling at 3\d. per lb.

Rhubarb is dearer for good qualities, some fine Shensi root realising 4s. 4d. per lb.; grey fracture, 3s. 4d.; Canton, fair bold, 2s. 5d.; high-dried, 7d. to 1s. 2d. per lb.

Roots.-Colombo lower: 300 bags sold at 20s. to 40s. for common to good. Seneka .- Three sales at 2s. 3d.; Rhatania, common, $1\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb.

Senna.—Tinnevelly, good quality, sold at 7d.; fair, 43d.; common, 11d. Alexandrian, 10 packages, from 3d. to 71d. per lb.

Soy .- China, 50 casks before the sales, good quality, at 1s. 7d. per gallon.

Tamarinds .- West India at 12s. 6d.; East India black, 14s. per cwt.

Wax, Bees', sells readily at firm rates; 70 packages sold.

BARK .- At the public sales held on Tuesday, April 24, very little business resulted in the room, of 5,000 packages catalogued only about 200 bales being sold, viz., good Calisaya quill, 4s. 2d.; Cuprea, 1s. 10d.; fair red, 2s.; good stout Succirubra, 3s. 3d. to 3s. 7d.; bold sightly, druggists' sort, 3s. 5d.; fair, 2s. 3d.; a parcel of fine stout Officinalis taken out at 5s.; 20 bales medium quality and broken sold at 3s. 6d.; ordinary, 2s. 10d. per lb.

CINCHONA PREPARATIONS.—An entirely new feature in the trade was introduced by a public sale of 16,000 oz. sulphate quinine, held at the London Commercial Sale Rooms, Mincing Lane, on Friday, May 4, by Messrs. Lewis & Peat, "without reserve" and "for account of whom it may concern." There was a large attendance of wholesale druggists, and it sold with good competition at the following prices, showing a decline of 4d. per oz. :—5,000 oz. Howard's make, 7s. to 7s. 2d.; 2,000 oz. Whiffin's, 6s. 3d. to 6s. 4d.; tins containing 100 oz. each, 5s. 10d. to 5s. 11d.; 6,500 oz. German, in tins, 5s. 9d. to 5s. 10d.; 2,500 oz. Italian, 5s. 9d. to 5s. 11d. per oz. In our yearly report, published in January, we referred to the important transactions which had taken place in cinchona bark. A powerful syndicate had combined to buy and work this speculation in England, America, and the Continent, and the time agreed upon having expired their goods had to be sold, both in London and elsewhere; therefore, on the same day, public sales of quinine were held in Dresden, Paris, and New York, the total quantity being over 100,000 oz., which all sold at about the same decline, relatively, as the London sale. It is remarkable that this syndicate, with such large buying and holding powers, were quite unable to stem the downward tendency of bark and quinine-their aggregate turnover is reported to have exceeded 2,000,000l. sterling. When this syndicate first began operations they undoubtedly forced quotations up; but these had to give way, and prices for bark and quinine close fully 25 per cent. lower than the highest point reached. The following prices are ruling on the market for cinchona preparations, viz.:-

Quinine.-Howard's, 7s. 4d. to 7s. 6d.; Pelletier's, 7s. 2d.

to 7s. 3d.; German, 6s. 3d.; Milan, 6s.

Cinchonidine.—British, 5s.; sulphate, 2s. 11d.; German and Italian, 2s. 9d. Cinchonine. - British, 2s.; muriate, 1s. 2d.; sulphate, 94d.

to $11\frac{1}{2}d$. Quinidine.-British, 7s. 6d.; sulphate, 5s. per oz.

CHEMICALS have been in more request, with a fair business

Soda Crystals in active demand at 63s. 6d. per ton ex ship; Ash steady, at 14d. less, 7 to 8; Caustic, a good shipping demand at 9s. 3d.; Tyne, 7s. 11d. per cwt.

Sulphate of Ammonia is very slow at 16s. 6d. grey, and 18s. for best white.

Tartarie Acid .- A fair business doing at 1s. 81d. for English, and 1s. 71d. for foreign. Citric is not quite so strong, there being ready sellers at

1s. 81d. per 1b. Cream Tartar is quoted 130s. for good white; brown, 99s.

per cwt., f.o.b. Naples, for 71 per cent. Oxalic quiet, with sellers at 6d., less 7 to 10 per cent.

discount.

Arsenic steady, with fair sales at 10s. 9d.

Sal Ammoniae.-Fair business doing at 44s. to 45s. per cwt.

Sulphate of Copper remains dull at 20s. 6d. per cwt.

Flour of Brimstone is in more demand at 10s. 6d. to 12s. 6d.; roll, 9s. to 10s.

Chlorate of Potash is less inquired for, and is obtainable at 51d. to 51d. per lb. Prussiate: fine make, 101d.; ordinary, 93d. per lb. Bichromate, fairly steady at 5d. per lb., less 3 per cent.

Bleaching-powder .- A steady business at 7s. landed.

Borax remains without alteration, at 59s. net cash, and 63s., less 21 discount, for lump, with fair business passing.

Sugar of Lead .- Few transactions; white foreign, 26s. per cwt.

Quicksilver has again been reduced to 51. 10s. for Spanish, with sellers at 51. 9s. for second-hand parcels, less 3 per cent. discount.

Shellae is again lower, the statistics proving unfavourable. The stock is higher, while the shipments from Calcutta to U.K. are very heavy, being 7,400 cases for April, with a probable delivery of about 8,000 cases, the closing values being 71. for fine orange; 61. for fine second; ordinary quality, 41. 5s. to 41. 10s. Garnet declined from 80s. to 72s. In button sorts the demand is limited, with sellers at 90s. for fine blood; good coloury thirds, 68s. to 80s.; genuine dark, 628,

Lae Dye.—To show the thorough badness of this market, sales have been made at Is. per chest of 2 cwt., all at, costing originally 3d. to 4d. per lb.

Sticklae.—This article is still used in fair quantities for dyeing purposes, producing a bright magenta; value, 48s.

Turmerie. Bengal sells slowly at 16s. 9d, per cwt.

Cochineal.—Very little business is reported, although the market remains strong, the late advance being well maintained.

Safflower .- Small sales are effected at fair prices.

SPICES.—Popper.—The market showed considerable weakness a fortnight back, but, the statistics proving favourable, a good speculative demand set in, and values advanced \(\frac{1}{2}d\) per lb. About \$0.00\$ bags spot sold up to 6\(\frac{3}{2}d\), and for arrival 200 tons up to 6\(\frac{3}{2}d\). for Singapore black; about 1,000 bags white sold up to 9\(\frac{3}{2}d\). The present high rates are fully warranted by the favourable position of the article of the article of the strict of the s

Cassia Lignea is very dull in the face of a large production. There appear to be large quantities available when the London market improves; value, 35s, 6d, per cwt.

Cassia Buds appear to be less used than ever; there is no consumptive demand.

Arrowrovt.—1,711 barrels St. Vincent in public sale met with a good demand, selling at $2\frac{1}{2}d$. to $3\frac{1}{2}d$. for ordinary quality; good, 4d.; fine, 6d. per lb,

Tapicea.—Flake is lower again; fair ordinary can be bought at $1\frac{1}{2}d$., and yet at this low figure there is scarcely any inquiries; really fine qualities are offering at $1\frac{3}{2}d$. to $1\frac{3}{2}d$.

Chillies are more inquired for after the late important decline in value. Good Zanzibar bright small sold in public sale at 52s. 6d.; this quality was selling at 95s. a few months back.

Clores have been in more request after declining from 9d. to 7d. Considerable sales have been effected, about 2,000 bales being sold up to $7\frac{1}{8}d$. per lb.

Pimento is dull, the sales being unimportant.

Sago meets with only a limited demand, values being very low, small pearl, fair and bright, selling at 13s. 9d. to 15s. per cwt.

On the Baltic the markets generally are quieter, in sympathy with the quietness which has prevailed elsewhere.

Linseed.—Prices have ruled, more or less, in buyers' favour. Rapeseed is dull, with small sales. Poppyseed: The last sale reported is at 43s, 6d, 200 tons,

Oils.—Linseed.—Moderate sales at 20l. 15s. Rape is very dull, and detelined 1l. per ton. English refined, spot, is quoted at 37l. 10s. Crude Cotton is 10s. dearer, with a better demand. Olive is less inquired for, and holders show a disposition to make sales at easier rates. Coccanut remains very steady at the present high rates, and is likely to continue so, as it is in strong hands. Palm.—No sales are reported; quotations nominal. 3,000 cases Japanese Fish Oil (part of a recent import of 12,000 cases) were put up for auction, and sold at 25t, per ton. A new feature in this trade with Japan has been the import of fish oil wax, which meets with Havour among the consumers, selling at 20t. to 26t. for fair to good white. It is supposed to be compressed foors, the high pressure giving it the consistency of wax.

Turpentine.—Large arrivals by steamer have depressed the market, causing a decline of 4s. 6d. per cwt. The stock also is large, being 15,270 barrels, against 9,200 barrels last year.

Petroleum Oil is steadier, at an advance of \(\frac{1}{4}d\). per gallon. Stock, 242,000 barrels, against 206,000 barrels last year.

ANOTHER REPORT.

MINCING LANE, May 12, 1883.

Trade generally has shown but little improvement since our last report, and in fact in many branches has become worse, several articles amongst spices and the finer sorts of chemicals having fallen off in value, without any increased demand resulting.

This may be partly accounted for by the lack of spring trade caused by the remarkably backward season we are now experiencing. New York advices prove business to be in the same position there.

In our January report we had occasion to refer to the adulterated drugs appearing from time to time upon the

London market, and we now find it necessary to do so again. Nor is the evil confined to drugs alone, for there is little doubt that chemicals are alike abused, not so much for use here, where, as a rule, we are too wideawake to be so taken in; but the principal victims are our colonial customers, who are led away by abnormally low quotations, and, instead of lodging their orders, as they used to do, with the first-class London druggists at a fairly remunerative price, now place them too often elsewhere, and are supplied in return with adulterated articles. Drugs and chemicals in ponder are particularly liable to "manipulation," and our advice to our friends abroad is "buy drugs whole and unground, and acids &c., in crystals, as far as possible."

Japane was fearfully imposed upon in this way, until the Japanese Government found it absolutely necessary to establish the laboratory which now scrupulously examines all drugs and chemicals going into the Empire, and it would be well if such scrutiny existed everywhere abroad.

With articles of medicine, upon a proper administration of which the very life of our fellow creatures depends, the subject of adulteration is of far greater importance than in matters of food.

ACIDS.—Tartarie has gone back in value, foreign being obtainable at 1s. $7\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb; English at 1s. $8\frac{1}{2}d$.; and at

these figures there is but a poor demand.

Citrie has also lost the firm position we mentioned in our last report, and stands now at the same price as English tartaric, &c., 1s. 84.0. At equal value citric will always be preferred to tartaric where of equal use, but we believe in such articles as baking powder citric acid cannot be used in place of tartaric.

Oxalie.-Very quiet at 6d, per lb.

ALOES are slightly better in tone. Cape at 50s. to 55s., whilst 60s. is asked for some fine Natal. Hepatie in skins, 6l. 7s. 6d. to 6l. 10s. Socotrine, 7l. 2s. 6d. per cwt.

ALUM is in fair demand at 6l. per ton for lump, and 6l. 10s. ground in bags.

Antimony.—Some fine Japan crude in bags was bought in at last public sales at 25%, but the same or similar quality is readily obtainable packed in cases, which are far preferable,

at 23l. per ton.

Antimony Regulus.—Lower at 40l. to 41l. per ton.

ARSENIC is firm; powder, 10s. 9d. per cwt. landed.

BALSAMS are without demand at slightly lower prices Capivi, 2s. 4d.; Peru, 11s. 6d. for good quality; Tolu, 2s. 2d. to 2s. 3d. per lb.

BARK.—Notwithstanding the large sales of quinine which had taken place in New York, Paris, and London, upon the previous Friday, the sales of bark held last Tuesday went off with a very dull tone, prices if anything being a trifle easier all round. We believe that in time the supply will become diminished, but when it is impossible to say. Many of the plantations in Ceylon, anxious to show a return upon the capital which has been sunk in them, have been premature in their sendings of bark to London; hence the amount of poor stuff now offering, and the result of such recklessness can but be very injurious to the future of these undertakings.

BLEACHING POWDER is a trifle easier at [6]. 15s. per ton, with the demand not so strong as it was.

BORAX.—A fair average trade doing at unchanged prices of 59s. per cwt. net, up to 63s. less 2\frac{1}{2} per cent., according to make.

CALUMBA ROOT is in a worse position, and no less than 515 bags were offered in last sales, of which 294 bags were sold at very low figures, ranging from 20s. to 41s. per cwt.

CAMOMILE FLOWERS are easier: fine white at from 4*l*. to 5*l*.; medium, 3*l*. to 3*l*. 10*s*.; and old brown flowers about 50*s*. per cwt., with a slightly improved, but still small, demand. Some sold without reserve at less than last sales.

CAMPHOR.—Japan raw, without change at 72s. 6d. per cwt. English refined, 1s. 1d. per lb. in bells, and finest Foreign makes 1s. per lb. in 5-lb. saucers. A fair trade doing.

CARDAMONS.—Finest sorts maintain values, but there are more inferior kinds now offering.

CHIRETTA may be said to be without a market at present. In last sales 10 bales were put up and bought in at 6d. per lb.

CLOVES .- From date of our last report Zanzihar cloves gradually fell until they touched $7\frac{1}{4}d$ about a fortnight since, when a rally took place, and $7\frac{3}{4}d$. to $7\frac{3}{8}d$ was paid. This position was again lost in public sales last Wednesday, when over 600 packages were advertised, and only ahout one-quarter sold at 71d. per lh. for good bright quality. We stated last month that the higher prices obtainable here had induced many offers from Zanzibar for arrival to be made, and at 8d. to 81d. some large contracts were no doubt passed ahout six weeks since. These lots are now beginning to arrive, and our stock, from being low, is now probably nearly 10,000 packages, and considerably more than it was this time last year. We must not forget, however, that deliveries are also larger, and that new uses have lately heen found for the article, the manufacture of vaniline from clove oil, we are informed on good authority, being a success—so much so, indeed, that we think vanilloes will find in it a formidable rival.

COCHINEAL .- The trade in this article, which was principally of a speculative character, has declined, and must now be called very dull. Prices :- Silver, 11d. to 1s. Id.; hlack, 1s. 1d. to 1s. 4d.; fine hlack, 1s. 5d. to 1s. 10d. per lb.

COD-LIVER OIL continues in a very firm position, inferior qualities making 10s. per gallon, whilst as much as 16s. is asked for fine.

CREAM OF TARTAR steady at 129s. to 130s. per cwt., with a fair trade doing thereat.

CUBEBS .- In consequence of increased demand from America, and a stoppage of arrivals here, cubehs, which we reported firmer last month, are again higher, and we helieve 101. 10s. per cwt. has been paid. An effort is being made to "run" the article, and fancy prices are already asked hy

ERGOT OF RYE steady at 7d. to 8d. per lh. for Russian; Spanish, 1s.

ESSENCE OF LEMON is in hut poor demand at from 5s. 9d. to 6s. 6d. per lh. for good fair qualities.

GALLS are a trifle firmer at 70s. for China and 55s. to 60s. per cwt. for good Turkey, white and hlue.

GENTIAN ROOT has experienced more husiness at 35% per ton for good sound dry quality.

GLYCERINE cheaper at 88s. to 90s. per cwt. for best.

IODINE unchanged. Peruvian, 4d.; Scotch, 5d. to 51d. per oz.

IPECACUANHA keeps steady at 3s. to 3s. 6d. per lh. for 1st class damaged to 4s. 6d. for good sound.

ISINGLASS at last sales, April 24:-Bombay. 239 packages, 73 of which sold: good new tongue at 3s. 11d.; middling and reddish, 2s. 11d. to 3s. 2d.; red, 2s. 8d. to 2s. 10d.; dark, 2s. 3d.; good old tongue, 3s. 3d.; middling, 2s. 9d. to 3s.; low and dark, 1s. 5d. to 2s.; bladder pipe, 3s. 9d. to 4s. per lb.

Penang.—112 cases, 44 of which sold: good leaf at 4s. 3d.; yellow, 3s. 2d.; ordinary. 2s. 6d. to 2s. 9d.; tongue, fine stout, 4s. 1d.; middling, 3s. 6d.; red, 2s. 6d.

Saigon .- 35 cases sold: Long leaf fine at 4s. 10d. to 5s.; stout vellow and reddish, 4s. 2d. to 4s. 4d.; red, 3s. 4d.; ordinary, 2s. 4d. per lb. The sales went off with a dull tone; prices generally a trifle easier all round. Next sales are fixed for May 22.

JALAP is a little dearer, and in fair demand at 8d. to 1s.

LEMON JUICE remains firm at 22l. 10s. to 23l. per pipe f.o.h. Messina, where stocks are stated to be small.

MORPHIA SALTS, 6s. to 6s. 3d. per oz., with more inquiry

OPIUM without change, at from 12s. to 18s. per lh. Some very low quality was recently sold in public sale at much less. Stocks do not become smaller, and must be still ahout 3,000 packages.

OILS.—Anisced has become temporarily stronger at 7s. 9d. per lh., owing to reduced stocks here, although there is plenty now affoat to make up the deficiency. Citronelle quiet at 17d. per oz. Lemon Grass at 13d. per oz.; American Peppermint oils are firm, H. G. Hotchkiss' at 12s. 6d. per lh.; L. B. Hotchkiss' at 12s. 6d. per lb.; Hale & Parshall's at 12s. 3d. per lb. It is rumoured that the make of, L. B. Hotchkiss is about to he given up, in which case, as soon as the small quantity now on the market is cleared off, that brand will cease to exist.

OTTO OF ROSES continues steady at nnchanged prices of 15s. to 38s. per Turkish oz., and in fair demand.

PIMENTO .- For some time efforts have been made to improve the position of this article, and good is still held for $3\frac{3}{4}$ d. to 4d, per lh., although stock of 37,500 bags is unusually large, and double the average at this time of year for several

POTASH, Chlorate, easier, and in poor demand at 51d. per lb.; Sulpho-Carbonate, 26s. to 28s. per cwt., packed in petroleum casks not charged.

POTASSIUM JODIDE. - English, 5s. 6d.; finest French, "Reque's" make, packages free, 5s. 5d. per lb. Bromide, 1s 6d. per lb.

QUASSIA WOOD .- Judging by what takes place, or rather what does not take place, at the public sales, we fear that the enormous stocks are not becoming reduced.

QUICKSILVER, again reduced to the lowest price on record, i.e., 5l. 10s. per hottle, utterly fails to command any attention from speculators.

QUININE .- Prices are again lower. Howard's, 7s. 6d. in 1.oz. bottles; Pelletier's, 7s. 3d. in 1-oz. bottles; German and Italian, 5s. 9d. to 6s. per oz. in tins. A remarkable and unprecedented sale of this article took place last week, when no less than 80,000 ounces were offered for public sale in one day in different parts of the world. The enormous quinine speculation which took place some eighteen months since will be fresh in the minds of many of our friends, and this quantity is part of what was then manufactured to meet the demand during that rush, and has since been held in reserve until snddenly brought to light in the manner mentioned. Sales were first advertised for Wednesday, May 2, but postponed until Friday, the 4th, divided as follows:—In New York, ahout 30,000 oz.; Paris, about 25,000 oz.; London, ahout 16,000 oz.; Dresden, about 6,000 oz. Seldom has such a gathering of the heads of the London drug trade taken place as was witnessed in No. 3 Room last Friday week. Druggists, merchants, brokers, and dealers, all were there, attracted principally by the novelty of the proceedings. Punctually at 2 o'clock Mr. Peat (of Messrs. Lewis & Peat) took his place and commenced the sale, which was composed of the following lots :-

., .. :: } Zimmers } " 250 oz. .. 5s. 9d. 5s. 10d

Every lot was sold, and the whole of this valuable sale from beginning to end occupied just 18 minutes, fully justifying Mr. Peat's final remark of "Thank you, gentlemen; I should like this sale every week." In New York we believe the whole 30,000 oz. to have been composed of foreign makes in tin, which, allowing for exchange, &c., may be said to have realised prices equal to those made here. In Paris, where the 700 kilos, was also entirely composed of foreign makes, values realised were not quite so good, heing about equal to 2d. per oz. less than those of New York and London, whilst in Dresden the 6,000 oz. were disposed of privately prior to sale. Notwithstanding this great sale, we fail to see that the position of quinine is in any way improved by it, for the quantity has not ceased to exist, but has, after all, simply changed hands. Some years since, when enormous crops of yellow crocus bulbs threatened to destroy the profit of that industry in Holland, some tons of them were publicly burned by arrangement on the market places of the towns most interested. Quinine has not shared that fate, nor is it likely to, and as long as hark continues to arrive and be offered in the fortnightly sales, as it now is, so long may we reasonably expect to have low prices for quinine.

RHUBARB is in an improved position, and of 84 cases offered in last sales, 57 cases sold at prices ranging as high as 4s. 4d. for best round hold sort.

SALTPETRE .- Refined continues quiet at 25s. per cwt.

SAFFRON .- Pure Valentia qualities are worth 42s. to 47s. per lb. Alicante, harmlessly loaded sorts, 25s. to 30s. per lh. In last public sales an article described as saffron,

was sold at 14s, per lb., or just one-third the price of cheapest Valentia.

SALICINE.—Easier at 7s. 6d. per lb.

SANTONINE.—12s. 6d. per lb.

SODA.—Crystals firm at 3l. 4s. per ton exship, with a fair trade doing. Caustic: a moderate export inquiry; prices, cream, 9s.; white, 60 to 62 per cent., 9s. 3d. per owt.

BICARBONATE.—Steady at 7s. 9d. to 8s. per cwt., landed.

The following notes are from Messrs. Gehe & Co.'s April report:—

'Aloes.— Cape aloes fluctuated very considerably during the past year, the quotations for finest quality being in January, 1882, 48s., when, supplies becoming rare, the price rose to 87s. 62. in June. Large quantities being then thrown on the market caused a reduction to 46s, which, however, in the beginning of this year again rose to 55s, and, the article being again scarce, a further rise is expected.

Almonds.—Depressed the whole year through, owing to rich harvests in Sicily. At the beginning of March of this year, however, reports of damages by frost in France, Spain, and Italy produced a good deal of excitement, causing a rise of 25 per cent. for Sicilian and Italian almonds, the quotations for Barbary sweet almonds being 62s. 6d., and for bitter 56s. Time only can show whether the damage really effected justifies these high prices.

Balsam of Peru.—The high prices brought about, partly by insatilietney in supply and partly by speculation, have at last given way to more moderate quotations, the quotation for Spanish balsam being now about 10s. per lb. The adulteration of the article, especially in Bremen, is as active

as ever.

Camphor.—Depressed under the influence of large imports. Japanese camphor, which has of late formed the chief source of the raw article, is of an oily consistency, causing loss in refining.

Cloves.—The high prices of the last few years have given way, and, although the quotations, in spite of fluctuations caused by speculation, were $8\frac{1}{4}$, $8\frac{1}{4}$., and 9d. per lb. in March of this year, the nominal price is now $7\frac{1}{2}d$., and a further reduction is expected.

Cassia.—Depressed and still on the decline, the quantity at present on hard being sufficient for more than a year's demand.

Castor.—Canadian castor has retained its high position. In December the prices were: Per prima, 35s. 6d.; secunda, 30s.; tertia, 27s. 6d.; and commonest, 24s. Siberian castor has decreased about one-half in value against former years

Mineral Wax.—Owing to mismanagement, the production of oxokerite in Austrian Gallicia has declined considerably during the last two or three years, and a sophisticated article very often dictates the price.

Isinglass.—Prices for Russian isinglass high, with a still higher tendency, due to the lawless way in which the fisheries are carried out. American isinglass in demand.

Cinchona.—Having passed through every stage of fluctuation, the present prices for bark are very nearly on a level with the lowest quotations of 1881, and in face of the large stock in hand, as well as the security of a sufficient supply of good bark in the future, an upward tendency can hardly be expected.

Saffron.—Although the harvest in Spain was a good one, speculation and obdurateness of the Spanish peasants have kept prices pretty level. Adulteration is prevalent.

Cubebs have fluctuated a good deal. The prices were:—At the beginning of last year, per ton, 7l. 15s.; March, 10l. 10s.; August, 12l.; October, 15l. to 20l. A reduction then took place to 7l. 10s. in December. The present year began with 8l. 10s., and, in spite of new imports, the present quotation is but little below 8l. New plantations in Java have, to all appearance, brought more into the market.

Innquin Beans.—The last year's excellent harvest in Angestura brought large quantities to the ports of Hamburg and New York, the consequence of which has been a considerable reduction in price, which has at the same time rendered the Para and Surinam sorts comparatively valueless.

Arnica Flowers.—Up to the present depressed; recent demands from America will, however, probably soon clear the stock on hand.

Galls.—The bad harvest in China in 1881 reduced the importation to such an extent that even the arrival of the 1882 crop caused no sudden reduction in price. The stock is still very limited. Prices, 67s. 6d. to 70s.

Gum Arabic.—This article, which before the Egyptian War was very depressed, rose in the course of last summer los, per cwt., but again declined on the reopening of trade with Alexandria. Owing to rumours of rebellious

movements in Kordofan, quotations are momentarily on

Musk.—The imports of Tonquin musk were very small indeed last year, and the continued demand for this perfume has absorbed even old stocks. The article is almost priceless, and reports from China continue unfavourable.

Anisc Oil.—Quiet: the last crop of seeds was plentiful,

but deficient in quality.

Oil of Star Anise.—At the beginning of last year depressed, now quiet, but no further depression is to be at present

expected, since the stock in China is scanty.

Cod-liver Oil has of late years become a dear article, and it seems probable that it will become still dearer. The fisheries of 1881 were bad enough, but those of the past year were even worse, and the livers were sy poor that they yielded but about about one half of the ordinary average. Seal-oil is now sought for for admixture with cod-liver oil, and as this sophistication cannot be detected by chemical means, caution in purchase is suggested.

Oil of Poppermint.—Crops, both in England and America, were bad last year, but nevertheless, the tendency to rise which showed itself in the summer did not develop, since plenty of old stock in America was on hand. These reserves have, however, diminished, and a rise may be ex-

pected before long.

Otto of Roses.—But a very small quantity from last year's small harvest is in stock, and from reports from the Balkan mountains it seems probable that prices will go very high.

Essential Oil of Mustard.—Very low, and offered at prices under the manufacturing costs.

Opium has on the whole been quiet, especially as regards Asiatic and Turkish kinds. In the Western provinces of China, opium is now extensively cultivated. Other countries are also finding out that opium culture is lucrative, and Servia produces an opium containing 9 per cent. of morphia.

Sabadilla Seeds.—The rise of 40 per cent. during the last few weeks appears to have been due to speculation, and it is supposed that a good deal of stock has been kept back in Venezuela. Should this, however, not be the case, a further

rise may be expected.

Benzoic Acid.—There is no change in the price of acid obtained from the gum. The artificial product from toluol has, however, advanced, owing to the raw material having got dearer. Benzoic acid, ex urina, is extremely depressed, and it seems likely that its manufacture will be entirely given up.

Citric Acid has been quieter than usual last year. A good deal of business was done at the latest quotations of 1s. 2d.

per lb., but a rise is expected.

Turtaric Acid.—An upward tendency, which at the end of the year amounted to an advance of 10 per cent. from the quotations at the beginning, was followed at the beginning of this year by a slight fall.

Ether and Alcohol.—The low prices at the beginning of last year gave way in July to higher quotations, which continued on the increase till November, when they reached the maximum. Since then prices have remained firm.

Potassium permanganate was subjected last year, twice over, to a reduction in price, said to have been brought about by the present manufacturers to prevent the creation of new works.

Morphia.—A good opium crop, rich in alkaloids, has

reduced the price 25 per cent.

Indigo.—Hot, dry weather modified the aspects of last year's indigo crop, which was, however, notwithstanding, 10 per cent. better than that of 1881. The artificial-indigo panic has given way to more tranquil views, the indigo farmers feeling convinced that Nature can work cheaper than Art.

Monthly Price Current.

The prices quoted in the following list are those actually obtained in Mincing Lane for articles sold in bulk. Our Retail Subscribers must not expect to purchase at these market prices, but they may draw from them useful conclusions respecting the prices at which articles are offered by the Wholesale Firms.

CHEMICALS.		Lasi	M	onth	. 1	T	his	Mo			١
ACIDS— Acetic per lb.	0	d.	to	8.	d. 4	8.	his d. 2½ 5	to	5.	d. 23	
pure ,,	0	5		0	81	ő	5	••	Ó	9	I
Benzoic Sublimate ,,	0	7	••	1	6	0	8	••	3	6	
Ex Gum per oz.	0	0	::	0	64	0	n	::	0	61	
Citric "	1 3	10	••	0	6	1	81	••	1	84	
Gallic, Hydrochloric per cwt.	4	6	::	3 7	6	3 4	6	::	3 7 0	6	
Nitric per lb.	0	3	••	0	31	0	3	::	0	34	
Oxalic ,, Sulphuric ,,	0	6	::	0	0	0	6 03		0	0	
Salicylic,	6	9	::	9	6	6	9	::	9	6	
Tannic,	1	9	••	0	6	1	4	••	2	6	
foreign . ,,	1	71	::	1	74	1	81 71	::	0	0	
ANTIMONY, crudeper cwt.	22	0	••	23	0	22	0	••	0	0	
star "	40 23	0	••	0 25	0	40 24	6	••	0	0	
powder	10	6	::	10	9	10	6	::	10	9	
BRIMSTONE, rough ,,	8	9	••	8 10	6	8	9	••	10	6	
nour u	10	0	::	12	6	10	0	::	12	6	
GLYCERINE, German	67	0		90	0						ı
refined,	45	6	::	90	0	75 49	0	::	90 45	0	ı
IODOFORM per lb.	8	2	••	0	0	8	0	::	8	2	1
IODINE, dry per oz.	0	6	••	0	0	0	6	••	0	0	
MAGNESIA, calcined per lb.	ő	10	::	1	4		10	::	1	0 0 4	
	111	0	••	0	0	5	0	••	0	0	ı
MERCURY per bott. PRECIPITATE, red per lb. white ,,	111	9	::	112 2	6	110	0 11	••	0	0 111	ı
white ,,	2	81	••	2	9	2 1	10	::	0	0	ı
	1 12	6	••	2 13	0		8	••	2 13	0	ı
SALICINE	10	0	::	0	0	12 10	0	::	0	Ö	I
THYMOL,	21	6	••	0	0	21	6	::	ŏ	ō	
Alum per ton	115	0		120	0	120	0		0	0	ı
powder ,,	127	6	::	130	ŏ	1 2)	ő	::	125	ŏ	
Ammonia:	0	6 <u>1</u>		0	61				٨	0	
Carbonate per lb. Hydrochlorate, crude,		_	••		- 1	0	-	••	0		
white per ton	600	0	••	760	0	600	0		760	0	
Sulphate	360 80	0	::	380 95	0	360 83	0		380 96	0	
Argol, Capeper cwt. Red Oporto, red Bleaching powder	70	0	::	80	0	70	0	::	85	0	
Oporto, red ,,	40	0	••	45 7	0	38	0	••	42	0	
Borax, British refined	59	3	::	63	0	7 59	0	::	63	0	
Calomei per ib.	2	6	••	2	61	2	6	••	0	0 0 0 0 7	
Chloral hydrate "	5	6	::	6	7	5	5	••	6	7	
Conner:						1	-	••	-		
Sulphate per cwt. Copperas, green per ton Corrosive Sublimate per lb.	20 50	3	••	21 55	0	20	6	••	21	0	
Corrosive Sublimate ner lb.	1	11 0	::	0	ō	55	0 11	::	0	0	
Cream Tartar, French., per cwt.	128	0	••	130	0	13)	0	••	0	0	
brown ,,	110	0	::	115 6	0	110	0	••	6	0	
Glauber Salts	4	0	••	5	0	1 4	0	::	5	0	
Magnesia: Carbonata	40	0	••	0	0	40	0	••	0	0	
Pond, Hwds, Morphiæ Murias,	72	3	::	7	6	72	8	::	7	6	
Phosphorus per 1b.	2	3	••	2	4	. 2	8	::	2	4	
Potash: Bichromate	0	5		0	0	0	6		0	0	
Carbonate:	"					"	٠	••	Š	Ť	
Potashes, Canada, 1st sortper cwt.	29	0		30	0	29	0		0	0	
Pearlashes, Canada,			••		-	29		••			
ISUSOFU	47	0	•••	48	0 52	46	0	••	43	6	
Chiorate per 10.		5	::	0	10	0	5 10 1	::	0	0	
Prussiate, red, Sulphateper cwt	l i	8		1	10	1	11	::	2	6	
Sulphate per cwt	. 10	6	••	11	0	10	6	••	11	6	
Potassinm: Bromide per lb.	1	6		0	0	1	6		0	0	
Chlorideper cwt	. 9	6	••	0	0	9	ō		0	0	
Iodide per lb. Quinine :	1 0		••	0	U	5	6	••	0	U	
Sulphate, British, in	١.			^							
bottles per oz.	. 7	8	**	0	0	7	6	••	0	0	
bottles per oz. Sulphate, French ,, Sulphate, German ,,		- 6	::	. 0	0	6	3 5	::	0	0	
Bal Acetos per lb. Sal Ammoniac, British per cwt		81	٠.	4.5	0	0	82		0	0	
Sal Ammoniac, British per cwt	44	. 0	•••	a .0	U	44	0	••	45	0	
Baltpetre: Bengal, 6 per cent.	١			10							
or under "	18	8	••	19	6	19	6	* *	0	0	
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Saltpetre :—(cont.)	1	Last	M	onth	- 1	- 1	.nis	M	onth	
Bengal, over 6 per	3.	d.		8.	d.	8.	d.		8.	đ.
centper cwt.	19 24	d. 0	to	3. 0	0	s. 0	0	to	s. 19	0
Deitick week-ad	0.4	6	-	25	6	0.5	ň		25	c
Bengal, over 6 per centper cwt. British, refined, Soda: Bicarbonate,	24	0	••	20	9 1	25 8 45	d. 0 0 0 0	::	20	6 0
Boda: Bicarbonate ,,	8	0	• •	0	0	8	U	••	0	U
	45	0	••	0	0	45	0	••	-0	0
Carbonate:					- 1					
Carbonate: Soda Ashper deg. Soda Crystalsper cwt. Canstic	0	11/2		0	0	0	11		0	11
soua Asnper deg.	0 3 9	12	::	0	ΥĮ		3.7	••		$0 \\ 0 \\ 0$
Soda Crystalsper cwt.	3	1	••	3	1	3	11	••	0	0
Caustie	9	0		10	6	9	3	••	0	0
	8	0		8	6	8	6		8	6
	10	Ä	••	10	ř	10	ě	::	ñ	ñ
Nitrate "	12	U	••	12	6	12	0	••	0	9
	12	0	••	18	6	12 12	0	••	14	0
SUGAR OF LEAD, White "Brown "	12 12 26	0		3 €	6 6 0	30	0	••	14 84	0 0 0 0 0
BUGAR OF LEAD, WHITE ,,	22	6	••	26	č	26	6	•••	-	ń
_ Brown ,,	24	6	••		6	26	6	••	0 1 0	U
VERDIGRIS per lb.	9	9	••	1	0	0	8	••	1	U
VERMILION, English ,,	2	2	••	2	3	2	3	••	0	0
	0 2 2	2 4	::	2 2	3 0	2 2	8 3 5	::	0	ñ
DETECT CHILLS ,,	-	*	••	-	۰ ۱	•	•	•••	٠	•
DRUGS.										
ALOES, Hepaticper cwt. Socotrine, Cape, good, Inferior,	70	0	••	149 190 55	0 0 0	87 60 50	0	••	140 110	3
Socotrine ,, Cape, good ,,	60 59	0		190	0	60	0		1 10	0
Cape, good ,,	50	0		55	0	50	0		5.5	0
Tufanian	40	ñ		4.5	n	40	ň		45	ò
Inferior,	40	0 0 0 0 0	••	100	×	40	č	••	45 150	0
Barbadoes ,,	60	U	••	160 130	U	60	Ü	••	190	v
Curaçoa ,, AMBERGRIS, grey per oz.	60	0	••	130	0 0	43	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	••	12)	0 0 0 0 0 0
Ambergris, grey per oz.	70	0		115	0	60	0		13)	0
BALSAM-		-			1					
DAIDAM-				0	Δ.	2	2		0	۸
Canada per lb.	2 2	2	••		0 5	2		••	U	ñ
Capivi "	2	õ	••	2	5	2	4	••	2	b
Peru,	11	0		11	6	11	9		0	0
	9	0	::	2	3	2	2	::	0 2	0 5 0 8
Tolu,	-	•	•••	-	•		-	•••	_	•
BARKS-					0		0		0.7	
Canella albaper cwt.	25	0		27	6	25	U		27	6
Cascarilla,	23	0		25	0	23	0	::	0	0
CINCHONA-	1									
Down own 11	0	10		1	10	0	9		1	10
Peru, gray per lb. Calisaya, flat,	0	10 6	••	1 2		0		••		10
Calisaya, flat,	1	6	••		6	1	3	••	7	0
Calisaya, flat,	2	6		4	6	4	0		7	0
Carthagena,	0	6		3	6	0	8	::	2	8
	1 6	Q		4	0	0	8		4	0
Columbian,	0 0 0 1 0 2 0	6 8 6 0		2	ŏ	0	6	••	ī	10
Cuprea ,,	0	6	••	2	U	U	в	••	1	10
New Granada ,,	1	0		4	0	1	0	••	4	10
Pitayo & Maracaibo ,,	0	4		2	0	0	6	••	î	10
Dod ,	0	ā	•••	4 2 10	0	9	6		9	0
The Tark Tark Tark Tark Tark Tark Tark Tark	1 6	Ň	•••	10	ŏ	0 1 0 2 1	ŏ	••	5	ě
Red ,, East India, crown ,,	0	9	••	4	Ü	1	O.	••	9	10
	0	6	••	3	8	0	6		3	10
RICHII LEAVES	68 70 1	4 0 9 6 2 0		4 3 1 0	6	0	0 6 2 0		1	400000000000000000000000000000000000000
CAMPHOR, Chinaper cwt. Japan	68	0		ō	0	65	0		ō	0
Camerion, Chinaper cwe	00	ň	••	71	o	67	6		70	ň
Japan "	70	0 1 2 0 9 0	••	71 1 0	U	61	6	••	10	v
Renn. Eng per 10.	1	1	••	1	0 0	1 1 2	1 2 6 9 0 0 4 0 0	••	U	U
Tablets ,,	1 2 3	2		0	0	1	2		0	0
	9	0	•••	3	ñ	2	6		3	0
CANTHARIDES, China ,,	1 2	ŏ	•••	0	×	3	ŏ		,	ň
" Russian "	3	9	••	. 0	U		Я	••	. 4	v
CAMOMILE FLOWERS per cwt.	45 23	0	::	130 82	0 0	40 22	0	••	120 32	U
CASTOREUM per lb.	93	9	- 11	82	0	22	0		32	0
CHIRETTA	0	7	•••	ō	è	0	ă	•	0	5
CHIRETTA, DRAGON'S BLOOD, lp per cwt.		*	••		6	-0	*	••	-40	0
DRAGON'S BLOOD, Ip per cwt.	65	0	••	240	O.	70	0	••	240	U
ERGOT OF RYE per lb. FRUITS AND SEEDS (see also Seeds and Spices)	0	8	::	1	0	1	0		0	U
FRUITS AND SEEDS (see also										
Soods and Spigger)										
seoug ana spices)	1			* 00		0.5			1	
Anise, China Starper owt.	95	0	::	100	0	95	0	••	100	0
Beans, Tonquin per lb.	20	0		37	0	20	0	••	30	Ų
Beans, Tonguin per lb.	2	6		5	0	3	0		5	0
Cordemone Meleben			•••		•	1	•	•••	-	
Russian ,, Beans, Tonquin per lb. Cardamoms, Malabar,	١.			-	^				7	0
	4	9	••	7	0	5	0	••		v
inferior, Aleppy, Madras,	4	0		5	6	4	0	••	4	6
Aleppy	3	6		5	0	4	0		5	0
Madron	0	6	•••	7	0	0	ň		4	0
Madras ,,	4 3 2 2	0	••		10	2	ŏ	••	4 2 7	10
Geylon,	2	U	••	2	10	2	Ų	••	- 4	10
Ceylon, Malabar sorts, Cocculus Indicus per cwt. Colocynth, apple per lb.	4	0 0 0 9	••	2 7 12	0	4	0 0 0 0 0 0 0		7	0
Cocculus Indicus per cwt.	11	0		12	0	11	0	••	13	0
Colocynth, apple per lb.		ò	•••	ĩ	3	10	10		-1	8
	0	0	••	150	0	145	10	••	150	ő
Cubebsper owt,	145	0	••	150	3 0	145	U	••	100	Ü
Cummin "	28	0		34	0	30	0		84	0
Fenugreek	12	0		34 14	0	14	0		0	0
Cummin ,, Fenugreek ,, Juniper Berries ,,	28 13 8	0 0 6	•••	11	0	0	6		11	0
Juniper Berries ,	0	0	••	7.1	0	0	0	•••	10	4
Juniper Berries ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	8 8	0 0 0 6	••	11	0 0 6	11 0 145 30 14 8 9 8	0		11 12 12 15 29 18	-
Tamarinds, E. India ,,	8	0		12	6	8	0		12	0
West India	13	0		15	6	18	0		15	6
Vanilla, large per lb.	16	0		28	0	90	0		29	0
inferior	10	0	••	15	ć	20	0		18	ő
Vanilla, large per lb. inferior ", FLOWERS—Dalmatian. ",	16 7 0	6	••		0 6 0 0	20 8 60 95	U	••	10	0
FLOWERS—Dalmatian ,,	0	0	••	0	U	60	0		90	U
Caucasian,	95	0		0	0	95	0	••	0	0
Caucasian	40	0		50	0	39	0		52	0
	40 30	ő		40	0 6	39 30	Õ		90 0 52 49	0
IPECACUANHA per lb.	30	0	••	4	0	30	Ň		- 1	4,
IPECACUANHA per lb.		U	-				U		- 4	
	0			2	0	0				В
ISINGLASS, Brazii	2	0		4	9	2	ō	••	. 4	9
Tongue sort	2	0	••	4	9	2	0	••	4 5	6 9 3
Tongue sort ,,	2 2	0 0 0 0 0	••	4	9 3	2 2	0	••	5	9 3
Tongue sort, East India,	2 2 0	0 6	::	4	9 3 0	2 2 0	0 6	**	5	8 9 8 0
Tongue sort, East India, West India,	2 0 2	6	••	5 5	9 3 0 6	2 2 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0		5	8 9 8 0 5
Tongue sort ,, East India ,, West India ,, Russ. leaf ,,	2 2 0 2 7	6	::	5 5	9 3 0 6	2 2 0	0 6 6 0		5	8 9 8 0 5 8
Russ. Pat ,,	2 2 0 2 7 9	6	::	5 5	9 3 0 6	2 2 0	0 6 6 0 2		5	6930534
"Simovia "	2 0 2 7 2 0	6	::	5 5	9 3 0 6	2 2 0	0 6 6 0 2 10		5	6 9 3 0 5 3 4 0
"Simovia "	3 2 2 0 2 7 2 0	6	::	5 5	9 3 0 6	2 2 0	0 6 6 0 2 10		5	693053400
"Simovia "	2 2 0 2 7 2 0	6 6 2 10 9	::	5 5 4 10 2 1	9 3 0 6	2 2 0	0 6 6 0 2 10 91		5	6 9 3 0 5 3 4 0 9
"Simovia "	2 2 0 2 7 2 0 0 0	6 6 2 10 9	::	5 5 4 10 2 1 0	9 3 0 6	2 2 0 2 7 2 0 0 0 0	0 6 6 0 2 10 91 0		5	6930534090
"Simovia "	2 2 2 0 2 7 2 0 0 0 0	6 6 2 10 9	::	5 5 4 10 2 1 0	9 3 0 6	2 2 0 2 7 2 0 0 0 0	0 2 10 91 0		5 4 10 2 1 0	6 9 3 0 5 3 4 0 9 0 0
"Simovia "	2 2 0 2 7 2 0 0 0 0 0 0	6 6 2 10 9	::	5 5 4 10 2 1 0	9 3 0 6	2 2 0 2 7 2 0 0 0 0	0 2 10 91 0		5 4 10 2 1 0	6930053409000
"Simovia "	2 2 0 2 7 2 0 0 0 0 1 55	6 6 2 10 9	::	5 5 4 10 2 1 0 0 1 100	93068609090	2 2 0 2 7 2 0 0 0 0	0 2 10 91 0 6 0		5 4 10 2 1 0	693053409000
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Essential Oils:	s. d. s. d.	s. d. s. d.	Oils :- (cont.)	£ 4. £ 4.	£ s. £ s.
Almond per lb. Anise-seed, star, German,&c. ,,	25 0 to 30 0	30 0 to 0 0	SEAL, yellow to tinged per tun brown	82 0 to 36 0	35 0 to 0 0
Anise-seed star	7 6 . 7 8	7 7 7 8	brown	30 0 0 0	33 0 0 0
German &c.	8 7 14 0			71 0 72 0	
Bergamot,	7 0 10 0	7 0 10 0	COD, WHALE, South Sea, pale ,, yellow ,,	86 0 0 0	36 0 0 0
Caleputper pott.	3 3 3 6	3 3 0 0	WHALE, South Sea, pale ,,	32 0 34 0	33 10 0 0
Caraway per ID.	5 0 5 6	5 6 0 0	yellow "	31 0 0 0	31 0 0 0
Cassia ,, Cinnamon per oz. Cinnamon-leaf ,,	3 8 3 9	3 10 0 0		26 0 0 0	
Cinnamon per oz.	1 0 3 6	1 9 2 6	Sardine	25 0 26 10	30 0 0 0 25 0 0 0
Cinnamon-leaf	0 31 0 0	0 3 0 0	OLIVE, Seville per ton	36 0 37 0	38 10 39 0
	0 13 0 17	0 17 0 0	Gioja,	0 0 0 0	36 0 37 0
Clove per lb. Juniper, Lavender, Exotic, Mitcham ,,	5 0 5 3	5 3 0 0	Levant,	35 10 86 10	36 0 0 0
Juniper,	1 6 2 0	1 6 2 0	Mogador, Spanish,	35 0 0 0	35 10 33 0
Lavender, Exotic ,,	6 9 8 6	6 9 8 6	Spanish ,,	37 0 0 0	85 0 0 0
_ ,, Mitcham ,,	180 0 0 0	130 0 0 0	Sicily,	37 0 38 0	37 0 0 0
Lemongrass per oz.	6 0 8 0	6 0 8 0	Sicily, Cocoanut, Cochin ,, Ceylon ,,	38 0 38 10	37 0 0 0 38 10 0 0 35 0 0 0
Lemongrass per oz.	0 13 0 0	0 13 0 0	Ceylon ,,	34 10 35 10	35 0 0 0 35 0 0 0
TAGLOTI	5 0 7 0	7 0 0 0		35 0 35 10	35 0 0 0
Nutmeg		0 8 0 0	PALM, fine	42 0 0 0	44 10 0 0 20 10 21 0
Orange per lb. Otto of Roses per oz. Patchouli " Peppermint:	8 0 11 0	12 0 0 0	LINSEED	21 0 21 10	
Otto of Roses per oz.	25 0 40 0	30 0 38 0	RAPESEED, English, pale ,,	40 10 4 15	37 10 0 0
Patenouli "	1 6 2 6	1 4 2 6	COTTONSEED	39 0 0 0 28 10 29 10	35 0 0 0
reppermint:	12 0 12 3	11 6 12 6	T. D.		
American per in.			LARD	60 0 62 0 26 0 47 0	65 0 0 0 25 0 47 0
(H.G. Hotenkiss) ,,	12 0 0 0 32 0 34 0		TALLOW,		
English,	32 0 34 0 6 0 15 0		TURPENTINE, American per owt,	s. d. s. d. 40 0 0 0	
German	7 0 9 0	8 0 15 0	Petroleum, refined per gall.	0 62 0 63	34 6 0 0 0 7 0 0
	11 0 0 0	11 0 0 0	Spirit	0 6½ 0 6¾ 0 7 0 7¾	
Rosemary ,,	2 6 3 0	2 6 3 9		0 1 11 0 12	0 64 0 0
Rosemary	2 6 0 0	2 6 0 0	CANARY ner gr.	65 0 85 0	65 0 80 0
Spearmint ,,	19 0 14 0	12 0 14 0	CARAWAY, English per cwt.	0 0 0 0	65 0 80 0
Thyme ,,,	2 0 2 6	2 6 0 0	CANARY per qr. CARAWAY, English per cwt. German, &c. ,, CORIANDER,	23 0 26 6	23 0 26 6
Mace, expressed per oz.	0 11 6 2	0 2 0 0	CORIANDER	10 0 21 0	10 0 21 0
Mace, expressed per oz. OFIUM, Turkey per lb. ,, inferior ,,	15 0 19 0	16 0 19 0	HEMP per qr. Linseed, English,	35 0 40 0	
., inferior	11 0 14 6	12 0 15 0	LINSEED, English	0 0 0 0	38 0 0 0
QUASSIA (bitter wood) per ton	6) 0 75 0	60 0 65 0		42 6 43 0	4? 6 0 0
RHUBARB, China, good			Calcutta "	44 6 44 9	43 6 0 0
and fine per lb.	2 9 4 0	29 44	Bombay	44 6 45 0	43 0 0 0
RHUBARB, China, good and fine per lb. Middling to fair ,,	1 0 2 6	2 9 4 4		39 0 41 0	39 0 41 0
ROOTS-Calumba per cwt.	45 0 55 0	42 0 0 0 .	Mustard, brownper bshl.	12 0 15 0	39 0 41 0 10 0 15 0
China	10 0 20 0	20 0 0 0		9 0 14 0	8 0 14 0
	20 0 22 0	20 0 21 0	Poppy, East India per qr.	45 0 0 0	43 0 0 0
Galangal,	20 0 26 0	26 0 28 0	antana		
Gentian "	18 0 21 0	21 0 0 0	SPICES.		
Orris "	25 0 50 0	23 0 50 0	Cassia Lignea per owt.	36 0 37 0 25 0 27 6	35 6 0 0
Pellitory	45 0 60 0	42 0 60 0	Pude,	40 0 40 0	24 0 28 0 40 0 41 0
Pink per ib.	1 6 2 0	1 6 0 0	CINNAMON Coulon :	40 0 42 6	40 0 41 0
Rhatany	0 4 0 6	0 5 0 6	Vera ,, Buds ,, CINNAMON, Ceylon : 1st quality , per lb,	0 11 2 5	1 0 2 5
Saneka	2 0 2 6	2 5 2 6	2nd do. ,,, 3rd do. ,,		1 0 2 5 0 8 2 0
Snake	1 2 1 6	1 6 ., 0 0	3rd do,	0 8 1 11 0 8 1 6	
SAFFRON, Valencia ,,	46 0 5) 0	47 0 50 0		0 0 0 0	
Alicante	25 0 30 0	25 0 30 0	Chips, CLOVES, Penang,	0 21 0 43	0 21 0 5
DARSAPARILLA, LIMB	0 6 1 0	0 6 1 0	CLOVES, Penang	1 6 . 1 10	1 7 1 10
Gnayaquil,	1 0 1 5	1 2 1 5		0 10 0 11	
Honduras "	1 0 1 5	1 3 1 5		0 81 0 83	0 10 1 1 0 0
Jamaica,	0 0 0 0	1 3 2 0	GINGER, Jam., fine per cwt. Ord. to good,	95 0 180 0	95 0 190 0
SASSAFRAS per cwt. SCAMMONY, Virgin per lb. second and ordinary ,,			Ord. to good ,,	46 0 90 0	48 0 90 0
second and ordinary	31 0 35 0 15 0 20 0	32 0 35 0 15 0 28 0	Airican	38 0 39 0	39 0 40 0
	0 1 0 21	0 21 0 0		35 6 83 0	38 0 0 0
Tinnivelly	0 2 1 2	0 3 1 2		0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0
Tinnivelly,	0 8 1 6	0 9 1 6	Cochin, PEPPER, Black, Malabar per lb.	40 0 100 0	45 0 112 0
SPERMACETI, refined	1 3 0 0	1 3 0 0	Singapore,	0 63 0 0	0 65 0 0
American	0 10 0 0	0 103 0 0		0 68 0 62	0 64 0 0
SOUILLS	0 11 0 3	0 1 0 25	White	0 9½ 0 10½ 0 7 1 4	0 94 0 0
GUMS.	£ s. £ s.	£ 5. £ 5.	MACE, 1st quality ,, 2nd and inferior ,,	0 7 1 4	0 7 1 3 1 7 2 3
Ammoniaci, drop per owt.	20 30	3 0 0 0	2nd and inferior ,,		
ANIMI, fine washed "	15 0 20 0	18 0 20 0	NUTMEGS, 78 to 60 to lb.	2 10 3 9	2 10 3 9
sorts,	8 0 13 0	8 0 13 0	90 80 ,, ,,	2 9 2 10	2 10 3 9 2 9 2 10
ARABIC, pale picked	1 10 2 0	1 10 2 0	132 95	2 3 2 6	2 0 2 6
sorts, mid. to fine "TURKEY, pick. gd. to fin. "	1 5 1 10 5 0 7 0	1 5 1 10 5 10 7 0	PIMENTA	0 33 0 4	0 83 U 4
	3 10 4 10 2 5 2 15	2 5 2 10	VARIOUS PRODUCTS.		
ASSAFŒTIDA, cm. to nn	0 15 4 0	2 0 2 10		1 2 . 0 0	1 4 1 6
	0 10 1. 4 0	0 10 4 0	Honduras, black per lb.	1 1 0 0	
& 2nd ,	12 10 45 0	16 0 30 0	Mexican, black ,,	1 1 0 0	1 2 1 5
Sumatra	1 10 13 0		mexican, black ,,	1 0 0 0	0 9 1 0
	s. d. s. d.	1. d. 1. d.	m	1 2 1 4	1 1 1 5
COPAL, Manilla	25 0 52 0	25 0 52 0	Tenerine, black ,,	1 1 0 0	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Angola, red, DAMMAR, pale,	145 0 152 6	145 0 152 6	GALLS, Tky blue,	50 0 60 0	50 0 60 0
DAMMAR, pale	80 0 85 0	60 0 85 0	" China " " INDIGO, Bengal "	62 6 0 0	62 0 0 0
EUPHORBIUM	17 6 20 0	17 0 20 0	INDIGO, Bengal	4 0 7 6	4 0 7 6
GALBANUM per lb. GAMBOGE, picked pipe per cwt. GUALACUM per lb.	0 6 1 0	0 3 0 10	Madras	1 6 6 0	1 6 6 9
CAMBOGE, picked pipe per cwt.	290 0 320 0	260 0 820 0	"Kurpah,	2 0 5 6	2 0 5 6
KINO per lb.	0 9 1 6	0 91 2 0	Oude	1 9 5 6	1 9 5 6
Terro ber owe.	40 0 50 0	45 0 0 0		8 0 6 6	3 0 6 6
	60 0 80 0 90 0 220 0	65 0 80 0	ROSIN American ner ewt	6 0 10 6	5 6 11 0
MASTIC, picked		90 0 220 0	SOAP, Castile ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	28 0 0 0	28 0 0 0
MASTIC, picked per lb. MYRRH, good and fine per cwt.		2 9 3 6	SOY, Chinaper gall.	1 7 0 0	1 7 0 0 £0 0 £0 0
ordinary to fair			WAX, BEES, English per cwt.		£0 0 £0 0
OLIBANUM, p. drop		80 0 140 0	Jamaica	5 10 7 0	6/2/6 6/17/6
ambar & nallow	40 0 45 0 34 0 36 0	40 0 45 0 36 0 0 0	East India "	7 0 7 10	6 10 7 0
SENEGAL		45 0 0 0	VEGETABLE, Japan		£2 7 £2 8
SANDARAC	90 0 120 0		Paraffin per lb. WOOD, DYE, Bar per ton		£3 10 £0 0
	85 0 150 0	80 0 . 140 0			0 4 0 6 £3 10 £0 0 15 0 40 0
	80 0 81 0	82 0 0 0	Brazil	17 0 30 0	16 0 30 0
THUS ,,	25 0 0 0	25 0 0 0	Cam	17 0 30 0	16 0 30 0
TRAGACANTH, leaf ,,	200 0 360 0 5		Jamaica	5 10 6 10	5 10 5/12/6
in sorts	60 0 210 0	20 0 260 0	Locamoon Campanaha	7 0 9 0	8 0 0 0
		1	Jamaica	50 60	5 10 0 0
DILS.	£ s. £ s.	£ s. £ s.	LIMA, first pile	10 0 0 0	10 0 0 0
SEAL, pale per tun	37 0 0 0	36 0 0 0	RED SANDARS	6 0 ,, 0 0	6 0 0 0

EXPORTS OF DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

Destination and Value or Amounts of Exports Cleared from the Port of London during the Month of April, Specially compiled for THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST.

Alcohol.

Jamaica, 35 gls Alkali.

Batavia, 8 cwt

Almonds. Amsterdam, 203 cwt Antwerp, 16 cwt Auckland, 4 cwt Barba/los, 2 cwt Bremen, 46 cwt Calcutta, 6 cwt Canterbury, 13 cwt Christiania, 35 cwt Copenhagen, 78 cwt Gothenburg, 8 cwt Hamhurg. 864 cwt Melbourne, 78 cwt New York, 264 cwt Otago, 4 cwt Port Darwin, 2 cwt Rotterdam, 150 cwt St. John, 6 cwt Stockbolm, 11 cwt

Sydney, 58 cwt Total, 1,853 cwt Aniline.

Bombay, 1,4412. Calcutta, 4547. Hongkong. 751. Madras, 221. Shanghai, 7981. Yokohama, 1,1961. Total, 3,9861.

Bergamot. Rio Janeiro, 31 lbs

Bismuth.

Boulogne, 15 cwt Caraway Seed. Melbourne, 4 qrs St. John, 8 bushels Sydney, 6 qrs Total, 10 qrs 8 bush.

Cattle Food San Franciso, 6 cwt

Charcoal, Animal Hamhurg, 50 tons

Chemicals.

Adelaide, 841. Algoa Bay, 81. Auckland, 917. Bermuda, 61. Bombay, 501. Boulogne, 384. Calcutta, 51. Canterbury, 221. Constantinople, 38%. East London, 531. Galatz, 211. Halifax, 3821. Hamburg, 361. Hobart, 221. Kohe, 651. Launceston, 271. Leghorn, 651. Lisbon, 251. Madeira, 3082. Maryborough, 151. Melbourne, 3431. Montevideo, 311. Natal, 27l. Newcastle, 1051. New York, 28t. Oporto, 43t. Otago 38t. Penang, 661. Reval, 501. Rio Janeiro, 261. Shanghai, 321. St. John, 301. sydney, 214%. Varna, 531. Venice, 1281. Yokohama, 947 Total, 2,6592.

Chloral Hydrate.

Bombay, 92 lbs Melbourne, 56 lbs Montreal, 100 lbs New York, 162 lbs Sydney, 126 lbs Total, 536 lbs

Chloroform. Bombay, 133 lhs Calcutta, 100 lbs Meloourne, 193 lbs Total, 426 lbs

Cinchona.

Amsterdam, 130 cwt Antwerp, 13 cwt Boulogne, 2,108 cwt Bremen, 848 cwt Brussels, 3 cwt Calcutta, 3 cwt Constautinople, 2 cwt Copenhagen, 12 cwt Dantsic, 11 cwt Genoa, 230 cwt Hamburg, 84 cwt Leghorn, 6 cwt Lisbon, 1 cwt Marseilles, 3 cwt Melbourne, 1 cwt Montevideo, 12 cwt Naples, 1 cwt Reval, 9 cwt Rosario, 6 cwt Rotterdam, 637 cwt Yokohama 55 cwc Total, 4 165½ cwt

Cochineal. Antwerp, 5 cwt Bombay, 187 cwt Calcutta, 1 cwt Drontheim. 6 cwt Ghent, 5 cwt Gothenburg, 4 cwt 1brail, 7 cwt Le Treport. 51 cwt Libau, 217 cwt Marseilles, 46 cwt Melbourne, 2 cws New York, 5 cwt Rosterdam, 7½ cwt Varna, 4 cwt Total, 5171 cwt

Collodion.

Adelaide, 15 gls Melbourge, 197 gls Otago, 2 gls Sydney, 140 gls Total, 354 g's

Coriander Seed. Trinidad, 11 ors

Corks Adelaide, 9,632 lbs Aden, 1,332 lbs Amsternam, 50 cwt Barbados, 616 lbs Bombay, 560 lbs Bordeaux, 680 lbs Brake, 57 owt Calcutta, 2,430 lbs Christiania, 52 cwt Hamburg, 620 lbs Hong-Koog, 450 lbs Jam tica, 224 lbs Kurrachee, 1,731 lbs Melbourne, 17,524 lbs Madras, 52 lbs Naples, 112 lbs Napier, 18) lbs. New Westminster, 168 lba New York, 208 cwt Natal, 84 lbs Reval, 6 cwt. Sydney, 51 cwt 480 lbs Trinidad, 800 lbs Total, 35,914 lbs,

489 cwt

Cutch.

Amsterdam, 1,034 cwt Antwerp, 78 cwt Barcelona, 170 cwt Bordeaux, 19 cwt Boston, 2,000 cwt Boulogne, 255 cwt Bremen, 540 cwt Brussels, 294 cwt Copenhagen, 72 cwt Dantsic, 88 cwt Dunkirk, 9 cwt Ghent, 171 cwt Gothenburg, 23 cwt Hamburg, 4,912 cwt Harbonr Breton, 10 cwt Konigsberg, 91 cwt Libau, 1.399 cwt Lisbon, 14 cwt Malaga, 47 cwt Milan, 48 cwt Naples, 60 cwt Odessa 9 cat Reval, 4 cwt Rotterdam, 1,218 cwt St. Fetersburg, 197 cwt Stettin, 111 cwt Total, 11,783 cwt

Drugs.

Adelaide, 551.

Alexandria, 1351. Algoa Bay, 911. Amsterdam, 3471. Antwerp, 851. Auckland, 51. Barcelona, 1601. Batavia 217 Bermuda, 41. Bombay, 2071. Bordeaux, 2001. Boston, 261. Boulogne, 1,340%. Bremen, 1991. Brisbane, 801. Brussels, 201. Calcutta, 3651. Canaries, 31. Cape Town, 131. Christiaoia, 331. Constantinople, 351. Copenhagen, 7071. Corfu, 71. Dantsic, 1701. Demerara, 191. East London, 331. Genoa, 3721 Gibraitar, 247. Gothenburg, 152l, Halifax, 194l. Hamhurg, 8 0397. Harlingen, 981. Havre, 121. Jamaica, 62l. Kouigsberg, 397l. Launceston, 33l. Leghorn, 44l. Libau, 7281. Lisbon, 771. Ma'mo, 541. Malta, 12l. Marseilles, 27fl. Melbourne, 230%. Messina, 601. Mogador, 121. Monte Video. 431. Montreal, 711. Naples, 561. Natal, 141. New York, 1,204l. Norrkoping, 407l. Odessa, 591. Otago, 271. Poti, 811. Reval, 5761. Rio Jaoeiro, 221. Rosario, 1241.

Rotterdam, 6891. St. John, 61.

Stettin, 1941. Stockholm, 5041.

Seville, 141.

Drugs - cont. Sydney, 961. Trieste, 7541. Tunis, 701.

Venice, 27l. Wellington, 5l. Yokohama, 769l. Total, 13,493l.

Essential Oils. Adelaide, 243 lbs Antwerp, 48 lbs Anckland, 81 lbs Barcelona, 100 lbs Bombay, 522 lbs Boulogne, 4,261 lbs Bremen, 500 lbs Brussels, 273 lbs Buenos Ayres, 130 lhs Calcutta, 120 lbs Canterbary, 91 1bs Corenhagen, 48 lbs Ghent, 65 lbs Gothenburg, 127 lbs Halifax, 20 lbs Hamburg, 3,337 lbs Libau, 47 lbs Melbourne, 1,653 lbs Messina, 456 lbs Montreal, 296 lbs New York, 719 lbs Odessa, 71 lbs Otago, 28 lbs Reval, 66 lbs Sydney, 126 lbs Trieste, 65 lbs Total, 13,493 lbs Ether.

Adelaide, 7 gls Auckland, 3 gls Bombay, 15 gls Malta, 40 gls Otago, 2 gls Penang, 3 gls Sydney, 14 gls Total, 84 gls

Extracts (Dye).

Antwerp, 6921. Ghent, 3201. Hamburg, 9381. Norrkoping, 251. Reval, 1461. Rotterdam, 4881. Shanghai, 2751. Stockholm, 61. Yokohama, 1051. Total, 2,9951.

Farina Substances Adelaide, 571. Aden, 1l. Algoa Bay, 11l. Amsterdam, 1331. Antigua, 3/ Antwerp, 1271. Anckland, 211. Barbados, 91. Barcelona, 41. Bombay, 231. Boston, 2541. Bowen, 11. Bremen, 4791. Brussels, 181. Buenos Ayres, 71. Calcutta, 41. Cape Town, 101. Charlotte Town, 3l. Copenhagen, 1,58 l. East London, 101. Genoa, 5571. Gotbenburg, 181. Havre, 450% Hamburg, 7371. Jersey, 841. Lisbon, 991. Melbourne, 3441. Montreal, 531. Nantes, 2551. Natal, 51. New York, 571.

Farina Substances -cont.

Norrkoping, 201. Oporto, 421. Otago, 441. Paris, 1,4491. Penang, 41, Port Darwin, 61. ec, 15l. Rotterdam 5771. Rouen, 3167 St. John, 21. St. Nazaire, 881. Sydney, 531. Toronto, 1262. Trieste, 11/.
Trinidad, 3/.
Vancouver's ancouver's Island, 81. Wellington, 151. Total, 8,2191.

Amsterdam, 8 cwt Antwerp, 3 cwt Boston, 151 cwt Copenhagen, 3 cwt Ghent, 146 cwt Gothenburg, 58 cwt Hamburg, 1,219 cwt Ibrail, 2 cwt Konigsberg, 23 cwt Libau, 375 cwt Le Treport, 24 cwt New York, 109 cwt Norrkoping, 8 cwt. Penang, 11 cwt Rotterdam, 363 cwt Stockholm, 13 cwt Total, 2,516 cwt

Gambier.

Amsterdam, 160 cwt Antwerp, 708 cwt Boston, 300 cwt Boulogne, 17 cwt Brussels, 158 cwt Christiania, 10 cwt Copenhagen, 151 cwt. Dantsic, 1,129 cwt. Ghent, 324 cwt Gothenburg, 24 cwt Hamburg, 4,753 cwt Libau, 795 cwt New York, 319 cwt Norrkopiog, 12 cwt Rotterdam. 6,741 cwt St. John, 6 cwt St. Nazaire, 112 cwt Stettin, 25 cwt Terneuzen, 1,800 cwt Total, 17.544 cwt

Gelatine.

Sydney, 7 cwt

Ginger. Adelaide, 10 cwt Algoa Bay, 4 cwt Auckland, 2 cwt Bermuda, 1 cwt Boston, 36 cwt Bremen, 56 cwt Brussels, 4 cwt Cape Town, 6 cwt Canterbury, 4 cwt Charlotte Town, 4 cwt Christiansand, 6 cwt Constantinople, 4 cwt Constantinopie, 4 cw Copenhagen, 11 cwt Demerara, 11 cwt East London, 3 cwt Gothenburg, 11 cwt Halifax, 2 cwt Hamburg, 235 cwt Konigsberg, 10 cwt Malta, 5 cwt Marseilles, 35 cwt Melbourne, 11 cwt Mogador, 17 cwt Montreal, 163 cwt Natal, 6 cwt

Ginger -con'. New York, 131 cwt

Norrkoping, 29 cwt Odessa, 21 cwt Poti, 12 cwt Rotterdam, 21 cwt St. John, 2 cwt Stettin, 24 cwt Stockholm, 17 cwt Toronto, 5 cwt Trinidad, 3 cwt Trieste, 7 cwt Vancouver's I. 2 cwt Total, 931 cwt

Gum

Alexandria, 14 cwt Amsterdam, 78 cwt Antwerp, 104 cwt Barcelona, 94 cwt Bilbao, 5 cwt Boston, 3 cwt Bonlogge, 120 cwt Boniogue, 120 cwt
Bremen, 80 cwt
Brussels, 90 cwt
Buenos Ayres, 5 cwt
Calcutta, 5 cwt Casablanca, 3 cwt Copenhagen, 12 cwt Constantinople, 118 cwt, 30%. Dantzic, 57 cwt

Dunkirk, 39 cwt Galatz, 338 cwt Genoa, 55 cwt Gothenburg, 9 cwt Hamburg, 662 cwt Ibrail, 29 cwt Konigsberg, 17 cwt Leghorn, 5 cwt Libau, 586 cwt Lisbon, 3 cwt Malta, 16 cwt Marseilles, 186 cwt Melbourne, 2 cwt Mogador, 12 cwt Nantes, 3 cwt Naples, 30 cwt New York, 399 cwt Odessa, 465 cwt Philadelphia, 23 cwt Piræus, 48 cwt Poti, 113 cwt Reval, 39 cwt Rotterdam, 332 cwt San Francisco, 6 cwt Smyrns, 63 cwt Stettin, 47 c +t Syra, 23 cwt Taogiers, 3 cwt Tarragons, 13 cwt Trieste, 186 cwt Tunis, 25 cwt Total, 4,565 cwt

Gum Arabic.

Antwerp, 297 cwt Barbados, 2 cwt Boston, 124 cwt Bremen, 680 cwt Dunkirk, 139 cwt Gothenburg, 76 cwt Hamburg, 168 cwt Konigsberg, 4 cwt Libau, 89 cwt Lisbon, 2 cwt Melbourne, 225 cwt New York, 490 cwt Otago, 24 cwt Reval, 293 cwt Rotterdam, 164 cwt San Francisco, 15 cwt Stockholm, 14 cwt Sydney, 62 cwt Trinidad, 26 cwt Trieste, 107 cwt Wellington, 10 cwt Total, 3,011 cwt

Gum Kowrie.

Amsterdam, 8 cwt Boulogne, 9 cwt

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Soap (Trans-

narent).

Bombay, 15 cwt Melbourne, 28 cwt

Montreal, 11 cwt Sydney, 9 cwt Total, 33 cwt

Auckland, 390 lbs

Natal, 140 cwt

Gum Lac.

Algiers, 11 cwt Algiers, 11 cwt
Amsterdam, 45 cwt
Antwerp, 86 cwt
Auckland, 5 cwt
Barcelona, 1 cwt
Boulogne, 19 cwt
Bremen, 1,181 cwt
Brussels, 17 cwt
Copenbagen, 45 cwt
Copenbagen, 48 cwt Dantsic, 48 cwt Ghent, 11 cwt Gothenburg, 29 cwt Hamburg, 1,111 cwt Havre, 190 cwt Mavre, 190 cwt Konigsberg, 33 cwt Lisbon, 50 cwt Malaga, 320 cwt Malta, 7 cwt Marreilles, 14 cwt Melbourne, 48 cwt Messina, 4 cwt Naples, 5 cwt New York, 1,843 cwt Norrkoging, 26 cwt Odessa, 14 cwt Palermo, 3 cwt Reval, 48 cwt Rotterdam, 602 cwt Stockholm, 23 cwt.

Total, 5,814 cwt Honey. Natal, 91.

Stettin, 5 cwt

Rotterdam, 1121. Total, 1211. Hops. Adelaide, 14 cwt

Antwerp, 60 cwt Boulogne, 46 cwt Brussels, 75 cwt Ghent, 123 cwt Hamburg, 60 cwt Melbourne, 119 cwt New York, 93 cwt Rotterdam, 25 cwt Sydney, 100 cwt Wellington, 12 cwt Total, 727 cwt

Isinglass.

Adelaide, 14 cwt Auckland, 1 cwt Cadiz, 1 cwt 14 lbs Ghent, 3 cwt Madeira, 511. Melbourne, 20 cwt New York, 8 cwt Ostend, 12 cwt Rotterdam, 48 cwt Sydney, 10 cwt Total, 1063 cwt, 511

Lemon-juice (under Bond).

Adelaide, 27 gls Brisbane, 150 gls Champion Bay, 60 gls Hamburg, 60 gls Honolnlu, 50 gls Napier, 4 gls Port Said, 15 gls Rockhampton, 300 gls St. John, Nfld , 15 gls Wellington, 150 gls Total, 831 gls

Licorice.

Adelaide, 4 cwt Boston, 4 cwt Canterbury, 10 cwt Melbourne, 29 cwt Rotterdam, 10 cwt Sydney, 140 cwt Total, 197 cwt

Lime-juice (in Bond). Newfoundland, 54 gls

Linseed.

Bagdad, 6 tons Brussels, 28 tons Melbourne, 25 tons Oporto, 26 tons

Odessa 5 tons Rio Janeiro, 1 ton 14 cwt

Boston, 260 cwt. San Francisco, 11 cwt Total, 271 cwt

Hong-Kong, 171.

Havre, 452 cwt

Sydney, 69 cwt

Antwerp, 200 cwt

Amsterdam, 221.

Antwerp, 751. Bilbao, 281.

Bermuda, 61. Boulogne, 2001. Bombay, 21.

Bombay, 2l. Demerara, 130l. Dunkirk, 25l. Glasgow, 120l. Gothenburg, 29l.

Hamburg, 2,614l. Marseilles, 335l. Melbourne, 60l. Nante, 25l. Otago, 55l.

Total, 3,7261.

Algoa Bay, 41 cwt Amsterdam, 6 cwt Antwerp, 7 cwt

Antwerp, 7 cwt Auckland, 2 cwt Bombay, 16 cwt Bowen, 1 cwt Bremen, 146 cwt Brussels, 15 cwt Calcutta, 4 cwt

Christiania, 1 cwt Hamburg, 6 cwt Melbourne, 38 cwt Natal, 36 cwt

Rangoon, 4 cwt St. John, 4 cwt Stockbolm, 15 cwt

Sydney, 42 cwt Total, 434 cwt

Algoa Bay, 5 cwt

Amsterdam, 33 cwt

Barbados, 80 cwt Barcelona, 206 cwt Batoum, 39 cwt

Bilbao, 346 cwt
Bilbao, 346 cwt
Carthagena, 70 cwt
Dantsic, 114 cwt
Galatz, 208 cwt
Genoa, 184 cwt
Gothenburg, 150 cwt

Jamaica, 14 cwt
Konigsberg, 230 cwt
Legborn, 329 cwt
Lisbon, 117 cwt
Melbourne, 6 cwt

Grenada, 5 cwt

Natal, 21 cwt

Odessa, 181 cwt Reval, 4.206 cwt

Rouen, 79 cwt
Rouerdam, 920 cwt
San Sebastian, 18 cwt
Santander, 169 cwt
St. Kitts, 3 cwt

Oil-Cocoanut.

Penang, 50 cwt

Oil-Castor.

Logwood.

Rotterdam, 13 tons Stettin, 5 tons 17 cwt Total, 110 tons 11 cwt

Madder.

Medicines.

Myrobalana

Rotterdam, 2,675 cwt

Total, 4,938 cwt

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Hamburg, 1,742 cwt

Oil-Cocoanut-cont. Auckland, 2 grs St. Petersburg, 1,367

St. Nazaire, 200 cwt

Sevil'e, 49 cwt Stettin, 1.022 cwt Stockbolm, 200 cwt Taganrog, 102 cwt Valencia. 143 cwt Trieste, 699 cwt Trinidad, 1,383 cwt Total, 16,995 cwt

Oil -Figh.

Antwerp, 7 tons Dunkirk, 38 gls Ghent, 2 tons Hamburg, 81 tons, 2,991

gls Melbourne, 937 gls Rio Janeiro, 1 3 gls gls Rotterdam, 231 tons, 653 gls Total, 2, 2,727 gls.

Oil, Lubricating. Stettin, 2.840 gls

Oil. Nut. Rotterdam, 185 cwt

Oil-Olive. Adelaide, 1,178 gls

Adeiaide, 1,178 gls
Aden, 36 gls
Algoa Bay, 46 gls
Auckland, 66 gls
Barbados, 21 gls
Bermnda, 24 gls
Bombay, 171 gls
Bowen, 3 gls
Brisbane, 10 gls
Brisbane, 10 gls Buenos Ayres, 104 gls Calcutta, 91 gls Canterbury, 571 gls Cape Coast Castle, 23 gls Cape Town, 1,050 gls Copenbagen, 1 gl East London, 61 tons Halifax, 1 ton
Hong Kong, 104 gls
Jamaica, 1½ ton, 518 gls
Livingstone, ½ ton
Melbourne, 1,790 gls
Natal, 239 gls Newcastle, 442 gls Otago, 663 gls Penang, 402 gls Rangoon, 56 gls Rotterdam, 36 tons Singapore, 56 gls St. John, 35 gls Sydney, 1,931 gls Vancouver's I., 170 gls Yokohama, 30 9,821 gls. Total, 413 tons Oil, Palm.

Antwerp, 988 cwt

Melbourne, 100 cwt Montevideo, 21 c *t Riga, 110 cwt Taganrog, 14 cwt Total, 1,236 cwt

Oil-Seed.

Barbados, 200 gls Bermuda, 53 gls Cape Town, 600 gls Demerara, 31 tons Rotterdam, 1 ton Trinidad, 400 gls
Total, 1,253 gls, 32
tons

Oil, Salad. Sydney, 200 gls

Oil-Seed.

Adelaide, 6 qrs Amsterdam, 286 qrs Auckland 3 qrs Bruges, 250 qrs Canterbury, 8 qrs Demerara, 3 qrs Dunkirk, 2,226 qrs Hamburg, 1,683 qrs Marseilles, 6 qrs

Oil-Seed-cont. Montreal, 20 qrs Nelson, 1 qr Rotterdam, 837 qrs

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Stettin, 690 qrs Total, 6,019 qrs

Oil-Train.

Adelaide, 326 gls Antwerp, 9 tons Brussels, 1,333 gls Dunkirk, 580 gls, b½ tons Hamburg, 41 tons Legborn, 1 ton Le Treport, 390 gls Rouen, 99 cwt 15 gls
Total, 61 tons, 9 cwt,
2,629 gls

Oil-Nuts.

Copenhagen, 50 tons Libau, 310 tons, 15 cwt Riga, 180 tons 18 cwt Rotterdam, 39 tons St. Petersburg, 160 tons Total, 740 tons, 13 cwt

Oleine.

Rotterdam, 199 cwt

Opium. Alexandria, 650 lbs Gibraltar, 20 lbs Hamburg, 326 lbs

Launceston, 65 lbs St. Nazaire, 99 lbs Trinidad, 594 lbs Total, 1.754 lbs

Paraffin. Hamburg, 210 cwt Liban, 6 cwt lotal, 216 cwt

Perfumery.

Barcelona, 30 lbs Buenos Ayres, 100 lbs
Buenos Ayres, 100 lbs
Hamburg, 36 lbs
Madras, 111.
Melbourne, 236 lbs
Montevideo, 45 los Montevides, 45 fos Penang, 5,400 lbs Sura, 1,680 lbs Sydney, 300 lbs! Yokobama, 4,900 lbs Total, 12,747 lbs, 11l.

Perfumed Spirits.

Adelaide, 53 gls Alexandria, 8 gls Auckland, 26 gls Bangkok,13 gls Belize, 63 gls Bilbao, 9 gls Bombay, 45 gls Boulogne, 15 gls Brisbane, 48 gls Buenos Ayres, 100 gls Cadiz, 2 gis Cadizi, 2 gis
Calcutta, 108 gls
Canterbury, 7 gls
Constantinople, 2 gls
Demerara, 42 gls
Foocbow, 5 gls
Genoa, 14 gls
Hamburg, 75 gls
Hong Kong, 10 gls
K. Georga's Sound, 3 K. George's Sound, 3 gls Kurrachee, 3 gls Launceston, 2 gls Lisbon, 16 gls
Lisbon, 16 gls
Madras, 94 gls
Marseilles, 13 gls
Marseilles, 13 gls Melbourne, 50 gls Naples, 9 gls New York, 87 gls Odessa, 12 gls Odesso, 12 gls
Otago, 11 gls
Penang, 15 gls
Penang, 15 gls
Port Natal, 8 gls
Port Natal, 8 gls
Port, 2 gls
Reval, 13 gls
Rangoon, 3 gls
Rio Janeiro, 2 gls
Santander, 16 gls
San Sebastian, 2 gls
St. Nazaire, 96 lbs
St. Petersburg, 6 gls

St. Petersburg, 6 gls

Perf. Spirits-cont.

St. Kitts, 4 gls. Seville, 3 gls Shanghai, 3 gls Singapore, 7 gls Singapore, + 615 Suez, 4 gls Sydney, 157 gls Trinidad, 47 gls Wellington, 11 gls Total, 1,342 gls

Poppyseed. Rotterdam, 548 grs

Quicksilver. Amsterdam, 300 lbs Antwerp, 1,125 lbs Boulogne, 22,490 lbs Bremen, 16,600 lbs Bremerhaven, 1,500 lb.

Brussels, 1,520 lbs Calcutta, 19,500 lbs Calcutta, 19,500 lbs Copenhagen, 456 lbs Hamburg, 16,750 lbs Le Treport, 18,750 lbs Libban, 3,040 lbs Lisbon, 1,650 lbs Madras, 375 lbs Melbourne, 750 lbs Reval, 12,000 lbs New York, 37,500 lbs Rio Janeiro, 750 lbs Rio Janeiro, 750 lbs Rotterdam, 10,650 lbs Stettin, 750 lbs Sydney, 7,950 lbs Total, 174,406 lbs

Rapeseed.

Auckland, 4 grs Bruges, 145 qrs Dunkirk, 171 qrs Ghent, 1,512 qrs Hamburg, 1,717 qrs Harlingen, 160 qrs Rotterdam, 1,850 qrs Sydney, 16 qrs Total, 5,575 grs

Batoum, 181 cwt Calcutta, 1,415 cwt Nicolaieff, 440 cwt Odessa, 124 cwt Taganrog, 870 cwt Total, 3,030 cwt

Safflower.

Brussels, 58 cwt Melbourne, 1 cwt Rouen, 35 cwt Rotterdam, 28 cwt Total, 122 cwt

Sago.

Algoa Bay, 2 cwt Antigua, 4 cwt
Antwerp, 98 cwt
Barbados, 15 cwt
Bowen, 2 cwt
Bergen, 33 cwt
,,, flour, 3 cwt Brantford, 20 cwt Bremen, 13 cwt Boston, 234 cwt Canterbury, 13 cwt Charlotte Town, 5 cwt Christiania, 103 cwt Christiansand, 37 cwt Christiansand, 37 cwt Copenhagen, 54 cwt, Copenhagen, a Demerara, 170 cwt Hamburg, 2,676 cwt Jamaica, 16 cwt Montreal, 149 cwt Otago, 26 cwt Rotterdam, 234 cwt Toronto, 127 cwt Total, 4,145 cwt Saltpetre.

Bordeaux, 136 cwt Batavia, 1 cwt Malaga, 86 cwt Pernambuco, 111 cwt Total, 394 cwt

Shumac. Melbourne, 53 cwt

Brisbane, 70 lbs Port Natal, 689 lbs Total, 3,014 lbs Sodium Nitrate.

Auckland, 110 cwt Berbice, 101 cwt Total, 211 cwt

Sponge. Adelaide, 50 lbs

Algoa Bay, 69 lbs Amsterdam, 40 lbs Auckland, 120 lbs Bombay, 21 lbs Brisbane, 27 lbs Calcutta, 150 lbs Canterbury, 14 lbs Cape Town, 74 lbs Cape Town, 74 lbs Cape Town, 74 lbs Genoa, 1,143 lbs Le Treport, 1,732 lbs Madeira, 200 lbs Melbourne, 109 lbs Montreal, 85 lbs New York, 8,730 lbs Sydney, 459 lbs Total, 13,023 lbs

Starch Salonica, 25 cwt

Sulphur. Bordeaux, 10 cwt Brisbane, 23 cwt Melbourne, 85 tons Sydney, 65 tons Total, 151 tons 13 cwt

Turmeric.

Amsterdam, 47 cwt Antwerp, 42 cwt Auckland, 1 cwt Brussels, 53 cwt Constantinople, 28 cwt Hamburg, 108 cwt Total, 279 cwt

Turpentine.

Adelaide, 9 cwt Bergen, 36 cwt Bombay, 18 cwt Buenos Ayres, 16 cwt Calcutta, 49 cwt Penang, 11 cwt Rotterdam, 310 cwt Trinidad, 4 cwt Total, 447 cwt

Vaseline. Melbourne, 327,

Yokchama, 91. Total, 411.

Wax. Antwerp, 48 cwt

Boulogne, 1 cwt Bordeaux, 101 cwt Brussels, 23 cwt Demerara, 3 cwt Genoa, 29 cwt Hamburg, 404 cwt Havre, 6 cwt Kobe, 7 cwt Libau, 90 cwt Malaga, 481. Messina, 24 cwt New York, 12 cwt Oporto, 4 cwt Rotterdam, 57 cwt Total, 809 cwt, 481



The New German Pharmacopæia.—Letter from Dr. C. Schacht, Berlin.

We have received from Dr. Schacht, of Berlin, a letter in which he states that the review of the Pharmacopcia Germanica, Ed. II., published in our April number, "is both defective and inaccurate (phtsh-b). On page 161 is found the following:—'It is unnecessary that we should comment on the utter badness of this process' for making Extractum cinchons.]. The critic evidently believes that the Cortex chince official in Germany (cf. Pharm. Germ., Bd. II., page 63) behaves towards water like the Cortex cinchona, Ph. Br., which is used for the preparation of Extractum cinchona flave liquidium (Ph. Br., p. 115). The latter preparation is very defective, as has been recently shown by Dr. Paul. The critic, accordingly, has no migsiving as to the behaviour with water of Cortex chincs succirubre. The Extr. chinc aquesum of the Ph. Ger. II. is an excellent preparation. About 30 to 35 per cent. of product is obtained, with a very high alkaloid content (about 10 per cent.). Ecfore writing on such a preparation if ought to have been actually prepared."

The Cortex chine, Ph. Germ. II., is the back of cultivated cinchonas, especially Cinchona succirulara; it should contain at least 35 per cent, of alkaloids. Dr. Schacht's statement therefore implies that a hark of the minimum pharmacopocial strength is completely exhausted, or that a richer hark yields an extract rully up to the official standard.

"Equally inaccurate (Julich) are the reviewer's remarks on the Extracta gentiame and secalis cornuit of the Ph. Ger. II. His want of knowledge dubts the process for extract of gentian 'curious'. To me, on the other hand, it seems 'curious' that so distinguished a journal as THE CREMIST AND DRUGGIST SHOULD do columns to such a critic. The Extractum gentiame is prepared by extracting the root with cold water; the finid thus obtained is holled once to congulate the vegetable alhumen. &c. The Extr gentiame, Ph. Ger. II., is of excellent quality. Will the critic prepare it once? The conclusion of the article crowns the whole. It is simple impertinence."

"In the article on 'German Prescriptions', page 188, there is the following remark:—'The price is regulated in Germany by a Government tariff, which the pharmacist may neither go below nor exceed under penalty of a heavy fine.' This is entirely wrong (grand/alsoh), and shows that the writer does not know of the decision of the German Gewerhe Ordung of June 21, 1869 (cf. § 80). Section 80 reads:—'The "Taxes" for apothecaries may be fixed by the Central Anthority; anatements from the same by free combinations are, nevertheless, permissible.'

"I ask for an early correction, and remain, with extreme respect,

"DR. C. SCHACHT."

[The writer of the review connot agree with Dr. Schacht's statement in reply to the writer's comment on the process for Ext. chine aquosum. Dr. Schacht may he reminded of the statement by Dr. Paul, that "the greater part of the alkaloids" of cinchona hark "is combined with circbo-tannic acid, forming salts that are but very sparingly soluble in water," which statement equally applies to red-quill bark. Thus, 10 grammes of bark (containing 6 per cent. alkaloids), treated by the German process, gave—

Grammes Alkaloids
Liquor of first maceration 0.07

allowance is made for the deposit during evaporation, it will be seen that the extract will only represent a small percentage of the alkaloidal constituents of the hark.

Regarding the other matters to which Dr. Schacht refers, the writer has

only again to remark that the evaporation of extract of gentian is unduly prolonged by the addition of cold water towards the end of the process, the liquor having been previously boiled to separate albumen.]

The Pharmaceutical Society and its Professors.

To The Chemist and Druggist-

SIB,—Doubtless, in your issue for this month, you will have something to say with regard to the action of the Pharmaceutical Society professors in the matter of the Pharmacopæia revision.

Is it not time that some radical change was advocated at the Square?
We have there laboratories and museums, and factifies probably unequalled for teaching pharmacists.
We have also a professorial staff, filling chairs endowed by the Society.

Note the result. A very small minority only of pharmaceutical students are to he found at the Square, and its professors will not condescend even to mention to the Council matters of most vital importance, a knowledge

of which would probably have saved the members from a severe rebuff, and from the humiliating position in which they now find themselves. Is any further evidence necessary to prove that the interest of certain of the Society's servants and of the Society at large are not identical?

That the sooner a change is made the hetter it will be for all concerned is the opinion of

Yours,

A DISGUSTED MEMBER.

English Chemists' Assistants in Victoria.

To The Chemist and Druggist-

SIR,—Referring to your Melhourne Correspondent's communication re the scarcity of assistants in Victoria, will you allow me to supplement his remarks by a caution to English assistants on a subject which has evidently escaped his notice.

The laws regulating examinations here are so framed that only those apprenticed in the colony and attending a course of lectures (also in the colony) are eligible to pass the Major examination.

Thus, a young man who has passed the English Preliminary, and emigrated here under the impression he could pass the remaining examination in the colony, would be deharred from taking front rank as a pharmacist, however ambitions he might be to do so.

The only examination open to him is the Modified, which, though it gives him the title of "Pharmacentical chemist," would place him, no matter what his attainment, second to the colonial-bred pharmacist.

Under these circumstances, it would be obviously nuwise for English assistants to come here without first qualifying themselves as pharmacentical chemists at home.

Respectfully yours,

Benalls, Victoria, March 23. Modified, With Credit. (38/83.)

The Sale of Arsenical Sheep-dips by Grocers.

To The Chemist and Druggist-

Sin,—A great deal has been written of his regarding the sale of patent melicines by grocers, tailors, &c., in large towns, where the profit on such articles is of some importance to the chemist, and the new Pharmacy Act is on the behalf of such chemists; but nothing is said about the country chemists, who sell little or no patent medicines, and it is on behalf of this class I wish to draw attention.

Country chemists and druggists, as a rule, dispense very few prescriptions. Their other profit is from farmers' requisites, such as sheep-dips, carholic acids, oils, &c., and it is in regard to the sale of the first of these I wish to draw the attention of chemists. Can a grocer (as the law now stands) legally sell arsenical sheep-dip? If not, then there are scores of grocers in the Border counties who can be prosecuted for such offence, I question the efficacy of the Act of 1856 in regard to this matter, but would suggest that a clause be inserted in the new Act probliniting all tradesmen, except chemists and veterinary surgeons, from selling arsenical preparations. Hoping the Pharmaceutical Society and the Chemists' Trade Defence Association will look the matter up.

Yours truly,

COUNTRY CHEMIST.

[No doubt the sale of an arsenical sheep dip by any person other than a registered chemist and druggist is illegal, but only the Pharmaceutical Society can prosecute for such sale.]

71/81. Liquor Gocci.—A correspondent writes:—Your Jamaica correspondent's formula for the above will not give a satisfactory product; firstly, the carnine might he thrown out of solution by the spirit, in which it is insoluble; secondly, the presence of sugar renders the resulting liquor prone to ferment. The most rational formula I ever saw published was in a foreign journal (its name has escaped me), as follows:—

Carmine .. 20 parts (weight) Solntion of potash 25 parts or q.s. Glycerine .. 180 parts (measure) Water to .. 480 parts (mcasure) M. s. a.

The Value of Chemists' Businesses.

To The Chemist and Druggist -

Hawick, April 21.

Sin,—I, and I think many of your readers, would be glad if you would open your Correspondence columns to a brief discussion on a subject which must be of interest to all of us—viz., the buying and selling price of a husiness.

Judging by the advertisements in the trade journals, the price is guided by the *eturus. This seems to me a very fallacious method, because rent, working expenses, and profits themselves vary so much under different chromatances.

I would venture to suggest an analysis of profits for a given number of years as being the true method of valuation, and in a husiness which did not finctuate very much two years' profits might be esteemed a fair price. Enclosing card and waiting opinions,

Your ohedient servant, SUBURBAN, (23/83.)

Accommodating Himself to His Environment.

To The Chemist and Druggist-

SIR,-I notice in your April number a letter from a correspondent "J, J,," and also from another "A Chemist of Fifty Ycars' Standing;" the former on dispensing for doctors in country towns, the latter on the patent msdicine trade. With your permission, I would he glad to make a few remarks in THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST on those letters. I may state, as my locus standi in regard to the first, I am in husiness in a country town, where I am at present fitting up a shop especially for the trade "J. J." is so opposed to. In regard to patents, I have, in the pharmaceutical journals, previously written on the subject, with, I hope, some success. Both your correspondents may have the interests of chemists and druggists at heart, and it is a pity to see them assuming the attitudes they have respectively chosen, as they are most certainly opposing the progress of pharmacy and pharmacists. It is not my desire to defend either patent medicines on the one hand, or cheap physic on the other. I wish only to live and act in sympathy with the times, to accommodate myself to my cavironment, and compete successfully with my trading neighbours; and experience has taught me that that would not be accomplished by following "J. J." or the "Chemist of Fifty Years' Standing." Indeed, without, I hope, any disrespect, I may say "Rip Van Winkle" would have heen a pseudonym more appropriate for the "ancient man" of ns who can to-day proudly say "I have never had a hottle of the Yankee concoction on my shelves.'

I will refer to the letters scriatim.

"J. J." advocates the extension of counter practice. Now, it cannot he denied, even hy chamists and druggists themselves, that, except in the "very simplest cases," they, as a hody, have no competence to prescribe. Their course of study has taught only a knowledge of preparing the materia medica for administration by the therapentist, and those chemists who are alive to their own status and to the true interests of their profession do not encourage any hut the simplest cases. Toese they are by established law authorised, and by public demand-a more important factor-requested to treat; and medical men are not adverse to their treatment of them. As to remuneration in the matter of dispensing, the lowness of which was in one case the occasion of "J. J.'s" letter. In highclass medical practices, both in the metropolis and provincial towns, the custom of giving prescriptions is, I should say, almost universal. A restriction hinding the patient to obtain his medicine from any particular chemist is seldom if ever imposed, though he may often he recommended to apply to someone who, hy years of upright and honest trading, has established for himself a business reputation which medical men can trust to. But in localities where the patients are poor people, the work heavy, and the remuneration from each individual case very low, it would be absurd to give a prescription for some simple 6-oz. mixture to a patient to take to "J. J.," for instance, the prescriber knowing well that he would he charged a price altogether disproportionate to the cost, lahour and skill combined required in its production. The price of medicine may not be obedient to the laws of supply and demand to the same extent as such things as sugar and tea. But for years chemists have charged too high for their services. This has resulted in the establishment in the one place of medical dispensaries, and in country towns it has retained the dispensing doctor. I say it pays to meet the doctor. Taking "J. J.'s" example as an indication of the "possible amount of remuneration," I will apply it to my own district. Here we have a working-class population, iron workers and colliers-about, I should say, 50 to 60 per cent. of the whole population. All these obtain their medical attendance and medicine by contract. In fact, it might be said that if they don't exactly come juto the world hy contract they live in it and go out of it in that way. They have their wages regulated by it, and they have their houses, their food and clothing, their education, their amusements, and almost everything else appertaining to this world by contract. On pay-day so much is stopped off from their wages. One part of this stoppage is to pay the doctor. He, on his part, contracts with the managers of the works to supply their workpeople with such medicine and attendance as they msy at any time during the currency of the contract require. This is known as "works practice." Outside workmen, who may not have the henefit of this arrangement, are, as a rule, memhers of such organisations as the orders of Foresters, Free Gardeners, Oddfellows, or other local sick-henefit societies. Mcdical men are, again, requested to undertake the doctoring of these by contract, and this is called "cluh practice." Now medical men in such circumstances have no choice. If the workmen and memhers of clubs are satisfied with the attendance they get for their contract payments, who can say they shall not enter into any such agreement? And, on the other hand, if the great mass of the community prefer this system of insurance against the "ills that flesh is heir to," are the doctors not justified in-are they not compelled into-laying themselves out to meet it. They do so, and where is the chemist? If we take as real "J. J.'s" modest ideal of, I suppose, a London West-end chemist-a proprietor of "one of those favoured establishments where from morning til night a continuous run of prescriptions, realising from 2s. to 5s. each, can always he depended upon "-and ask where he is, I should say, if he ever existed in manufacturing centres, he is now as extinct as the dodo there. But there is his successor. There are still chemists dispensing "a continuous run of prescriptions from morning till night," only, instead of realising from 2s. to 5s. each, they realise about

from 2d, to 5d, heing a contract profit on entire cest of supplying a hottle of medicine equal to what could he obtained anywhere. This, I take it, is the proper division of labour where the system applies, and does away with hoth medical dispensing and empirical prescribing. I have said thanks, and I will endeavour to illustrate to "J. J." how it does so, though I know that opinion is likely to differ very much as to what constitutes "pay."

Take a population, including 2,000 workmen, representing, say, 10,000 patients, under a contract. There would he, say, 3d. per week from each man, representing 1,300t, per annum. This would prohably he divided hetween two or three practitioners, and a portion of it would go as pavment for their attendance. But say half of it were medicine; I should say it would be more haueficial to the local retail chemists to have this amount passing through their hands than that they should fold themselves up in their pride, or what that is next door to, laziness, and send it to distant wholesale houses. Their pharmaceutical knowledge should enable them to prepare galenicsls, &c., equal or superior to those medical men are supplied with, and at their prices, too, and yet retain profit to themselves, hesides having the satisfaction of doing legitimste work; and, owing to to the larger number of people passing in and out of the establishment there would be an extra opportunity to push the sale of the host of druggists' sundries, "curative nostrums," &c., which "J. J." fears would, under this arrangement, have to be given up. In any place where doctors are now dispensing their own medicines I am snre it would he advantageous to both parties to enter into the contract system : if impracticable in regard to patients, it could be managed, and I should imagine more satisfactorily, hetween the prescriber and dispenser. In towns where the medical, men prescribe only, of course there is no necessity for it; but even there I am sure, in many cases the prices charged are adverse to our interests as a class. What right have I to charge, say, Is. 6d. for n mixture containing nothing but 2 drachms of tincture of perchloride of iron in 6 oz. of water. On the other hand, the 'position of the metropolitan specialists referre 1 to hy "J. J." is different. They are quite entitled to the charge they have to make for their special work; the difference hetwesn them and us is that our ordinary work is not very special, and we must remember that as retailers we depend on the public, and that they do not depend on us to any grent extent.

About the patents difficulty. I think it has already been pretty well threshed out. "The present patent-medicine crisis," which the chemist of fifty years' experence seems only just now to have awoke to the existence of, has almost passed into history; and it is really a musing to read of this "legitimate, dicy chemist," who has not yet sold a bottle of the uhiguitous Hop Bitters, claiming to "helong to the party that has heen the means of fostering and extending the pat-nt-medicine trade to its present dimensions." You must have "stopped short" somewhere, "old un."

I would be glad to go through his letter and point out to him some changes in the scene; would show him some new "properties," but as he he may now have relapsed for another half-century—report in pace.

Yours truly,

Workington, May 10.

[We feel much obliged to "W.P." for his vigorous and healthy protest against the complaining spirit which is too much cultivated among us, and which, at any rate, will never hing about any good result.—Ed. C. & D.]

Curiosities.—Messrs. J ohnston & Adams, of Dundee, send us the following specimens of orders received by them in ordinary retail trade:—

Quarter tary essick; eason of carkdise; foulers æth and chraddine; eyen in poods; setecate; I shilling packet oi puters, I shilling sverleixnk, sougar lead mixtd; par sh gorack, ack ah cak anna wine; 3d. sweet nitter, 3d. a.c.p., 3d. gumehic, 3d. ground hubbl; 2d. worth of purpy sick, 1d. worth of copperuss; tow ounce of creamtarter, tow ounce of tarykaset, tow ounces of hakensody, tow ounce of rockshell salts.

50/79. Canadian.—We have never heard that Canadian chemists are much in want of English assistants, and, as we understant, salaries there are much the same as here. We think the chances are against any Canadian farm responding to any indivertisement, you might publish. The Canadian Pharmaceutical Journal is published at Toronto, and we do not know that it is to be lad anywhere else. If the Ontario Veterinary College is recognised by the Royal Veterinary College here, and if you gain its diploma during a residence of not less than five years abroad, you can claim therewith registration here on payment of the proper fees.

Mucilage of Acacia.—I think there is no hetter or equal way of making this mucliage than by continuous stirring in the cold. The plan already proposed is good just so far as it approaches this continuous action. I much prefer small picked gum arabic to the powder, as a bright, clear solution is the result. Any application of heat is to be avoided, since the keeping properties of the muchage are thereby injured. It may seem a trivial suggestion, but in every case of stirring great advantage is gained by using an open basin of twice the capacity of the ingredients manipulated. Time and trouble are hoth saved, and a satisfactory product is obtained.

J. I.

Sarsaparilla and Quinine.—70/80. J. H. K. (Rock Ferry) says the following formula may, perhaps, satisfy our correspondent:—

		1	art	ŝ
Dec. sarzæ co. conc	 	 	5	
Ex. cinchon. liq. (B.P.)	 	 	2	
Sp. vini rect	 	 	3	
Tinct, quiniæ co	 	 	2	
Orm annontii			4	

Mix the ext cinchon, and syr, aurant, and then add the other ingredients,

Corassa Compound.—Tois nostrum has been advertised very largely in America as a cure for debility, &c., and some chemists in this country have written to us about the professed formula. In the last number of the Therapeutic Gazette, of Detroit, we find a complete exposure of the whole business. An advertiver calling himself the "Rev." Jos. T. Inman offers to send a formula, which, when received, is found to be this:

			D	rachms
Ext. of corrassa apimis	 ••	••		8
" selarmo umbelifera	 			4
Powdered alkermes latifolia	 			3
Ext. of carsadoc herbalis	 			6

Of course the drugs cannot be obtained, and then the "Rev." is willing to supply the stuff at cost price—\$3.50. Messrs. Parke, Davis & Oo, the proprietors of the Theraeucii Gautth, have had the matter investigated, and they and their correspondents state that the business is run by two young English bloods in New York, who affect "diamonds, fast horses, and faster women." Their names are given variously. The stuff they send has been examined by Dr. A. B. Lyons, who says that, approximately, it is as under:—

Powdered	l gentian a	bou	t		 		15
,,	licorice	,,			 		15
,,	sugar	,,	••		 	••	50
Sodium t	icai bonate	,,			 ••	••	17.5
Powdere	d cochineal	,,		••	 ••	••	2.5

F. M. left a box of Cera Flava nader a vinegar cask, and the vinegar leaking through has brought the wax to a colour resembling fuller's earth. He would like to know if he can anyhow restore it to its original appearance.

[We know of no method of restoring the natural colour to the wax. We would, however, recommend that it be thoroughly washed in boiling water to remove any trace of acid. After drying it would be quite fit, we think, for many of the more common purposes to which wax is applied. Melting after washing and mixing with some of the higher-coloured waxes occasionally met with might also be tried.]

11/29. Can anyone help W. J. M. to the composition of Surfeit Water? He gives us no further indication of its probable uses.

45/s1. Rusticus (for whose esteemed question we had to pay 2d. postage) wants to know what is Barbour's Mixture. Some of his customers insist on being supplied with Gregory's mixture under the above name, while others maintain that it is a preparation containing opium.

84/4. Calves' Food.—D. H. would feel obliged if any r.ader could give him a formula for patent food for calves, to be used as a substitute for milk.

82/40, H. E. R. – The following formula has been published to produce an imitation of the preparation you name: –

Potassium iodide					 61	grains
Chloric ether, B.P.			••	••		drachms
Liquor potassee, B.P.					 30	minims
Water coloured with h	urnt	sugar	••		 71	fi. oz.

We have no formula for making ink to be used with a copper stamp. We should be glad if any reader can supply one.

81 4. Allen's Anti-fat is reported to be a fluid extract of Fucus resiculosus, the common bladder-wrack of our coasts.

31/40. Hall/ax.—Perfumery.—An article on the extraction of perfumes by methyl chloride is printed at page 172 of our volume for 1880. Another paper will be found at page 87 of our volume for 1877. Full information is given in Piese's "Art of Perfumery."

82.56. Decontents.—Egyptiacum, or more properly Mcl Egyptiacum, is a compound of verdigris, vinegar, and honey. Very full particulars of its manufacture and history are given in The Chewist AND Daucoust for November, last page, 492, in a review of a pamphlet on the subject by the well-known Belgian pharmacist, M. N. Gille.

83/42. C. R.—Hair Restorer.—We are not in a position to give an authoritative opinion, but should surmise that the third formula (your own) would be more generally useful. We carnot say, without experiment, if holling is an advantage, but you can easily test this by separating and weighing the deposit left sferr boiling. If you find that the sulphur is not dissolved we should say that boiling is useless. If you intend to sell the article by the bill you sent we fancy you will find it hard to justify all the statements in it, as, for instance, that it is "a new stimulant." We have no reason to suppose that armica is useful, though canthardes is.

82/44. A. P. S.—Orange Bitters.—The formulæ for bitters and liqueurs are excessively various, and probably differ in every town. Subjoined are two formulæ for orange liqueurs. If not bitter enough a little comprund gentian tincture might be added.

Crême d'Orange.

Oranges, sliced, three dozen; rectified spirit, 2 gallons. Digest for fourteen days, then add, lump sugar, 28 lbs., previously dissolved in water 4½ gallons; tincture of suffron, ½ fl. oz.; orange-flower water, 2 quarts.

Orange Cordial.

Fresh orange peel, \(\frac{1}{2}\) lb.; proof spirit, 1 gallon. Digest for a week, strain with expression. Add clear soft water to reduce it to the required strength, and 3 lbs. of sugar to each gallon. The addition of a little orange-flower water improves it.

83/66. Inquirer.—Alum in Baking Powder is not considered an adulteration, as it takes the place of tartaric acid. The question was tried before the Cambridge Quarter Sessions on January 9, when a conviction by the magistrates was reversed. The cases are briefly reported in This CHEMIST AND DICCOST, December, 1879, p. 268, and January, 1889, p. 9. The appellants will, perhaps, be able to supply you with a fuller report of the case.

83/34. W. B. J.—Photographic Books.—Toe books named below were recommended in the article on "Photography," published in The Chemists and Druggists' Diary for 1832. Hughes' "Frinciples and Practice Photography," 1s.; Abney's "Fractical Working of the Gelatinobromide Process," 1s. 6d.; Abney's "Treatise on Photography," 3s. 6d.; Abney's "Instruction in Photography," 2s. 6d.; Hardwick's "Photographic Chemistry," about 7s. 6d.; "The Autotype Mannal," 1s.; Liesgang's "Manual of the Carbon Process," 4s.; "Landse pe Photographers' Note-book," 6d.



LIQUIDATIONS.

CARR, JAME³, Temple View Chemical Works, Leeds, drysalter. April 18.

HARRINGTON, RICHARD BEAUMONT, 44 Sherwood Street North, Nottingham, chemist and druggist. April 25.

LONG, WILLIAM, 103 Coleshill Street, Birmingham, chemist and druggist.
April 17.
MALEHAM, HENRY WILLIAM, 7 West Bar, Sheffield, under firm of H.

MALEHAM, HENRY WILLIAM, 7 West Bar. Sheffield, under firm of H. Maleham & Son, Sheffield, chemist and druggist. April 10.

MATHEWS, CHARLES, High Street, Marske, chemist and druggist and

stationer. April 28.
ROBINSON, SAMUEL, 21 High Street, Northwich, chemist and druggist.

April 25.
Scholes, Frederick Darfield, 129 Oldfield Road, Salford, chemist and druggist, April 25.

PARTNERSHIPS DISSOLVED.

HILL, WILLIAM, COCKERILL, ELIZABETH, and PLOWRIGHT, HENRY, jun., King's Lynn, chemists and druggists. October 23. Debts by Cockerill and Plowright.

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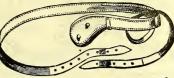
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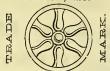


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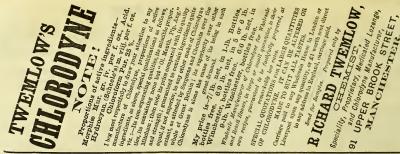
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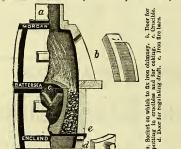
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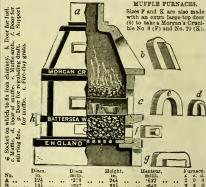
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